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College Council Meets for Summer Retreat

Dr. John Clark told the Plattsburgh State College Council that his primary objective as interim president will be to move the college forward while the search for a new president progresses.

Clark spoke with the council members during their two-day annual retreat at the Valcour Educational Conference Center July 17 and 18.

The interim president presented the College Council with a summary of his activities during his first 45 days at Plattsburgh State and said that he has several goals he plans to accomplish including: seeking more input from faculty into shared governance; take a proactive approach to the off-campus needs of the students and the community; increase fundraising; and establish new and improve on-going relationships with businesses, groups, organizations and civic leaders in the community.

"This is Plattsburgh's campus," said Clark. "They should feel it is theirs."

John O'Connor, vice chancellor and secretary of the university, told the council that Clark's aims have been met with enthusiasm in Albany. O'Connor also told the College Council that it should work with the interim president to define its role prior to the appointment of a new president.

About his experience so far as interim president of Plattsburgh State, Clark said, "It's a lot of fun. I'm on the run all the time and learning a lot."

Search Process Underway

Council members were also told by Steve Leo of A. T. Kearney Education Practice of Alexandria, Va., that the first ad for the president's position appeared in the July 18 issue of *The Chronicle of Higher Education*. He said that the same ad will appear in the *Chronicle* again later this fall.

In addition to the search process, the College Council discussed the state's budget and its effect on the college's operational budget for the coming year.



Chair Robert Garrow '52 '59 (left) and Vice Chair Arnold Amell '53 (right) listened to Interim President John Clark brief the members of the College Council about his activities for the past 45 days. The College Council's retreat was held at Valcour Educational Conference Center.

Several Resolutions Approved

The members approved resolutions recognizing William Brooks (who recently resigned as a member of the College Council), Dr. Janet Worthington (retiring dean of the Center for Lifelong Learning and Continuing Education) and retiring faculty and staff.

Members also passed a resolution naming the new College Council meeting room, located in Room 155, Hawkins Hall, "The Wayne H. Byrne College Council Room." Wayne Byrne was vice chair of the College Council for more than 33 years until his death June 2, 2002. He was the longest-serving member of any College Council in SUNY.

Council members heard reports from each of the vice presidents and approved the dates for its meetings during the 2003-04 academic year. They are tentatively scheduled for Oct. 9, Dec. 11, Feb. 12 (2004), April 8, June 10, Aug. 12-13 (Retreat). A special meeting of the council will be held on Aug. 14 for final approval of changes in the traffic and parking regulations at Plattsburgh State.

Student Artwork Receives Best of Show

Kahoru Otani, a senior art major from Shizuoka, Japan, was one of three winners who received a \$1,000 scholarship as part of the 2002-2003 Best of SUNY Student Art Exhibition. The scholarships recognize the three artists whose work was judged Best in Show at the exhibition, held at State University Plaza in Albany, which is on exhibit through Sept. 7.

The Best of SUNY Student Art Exhibition is the third in a year-long series of shows presenting the work of SUNY students from throughout the entire system.

Otani's work was a handmade book titled, "Untarnished Memory in Thailand."

"Art-making is like a meditation for me," said Otani. Through rolling up inks, proofing, editioning, stretching canvases and mixing colors on the palette, either consciously or unconsciously, I directed myself toward the realm of satisfaction, toward the world where I can feel great joy."

Diane Fine, professor and chairperson of the Art Department, said that Otani's art object that received this honor was an artist book.

"This is a genre within the Fine Arts that is in the forefront of contemporary art-making and is interdisciplinary in nature," said Fine. "Many of our printmaking and sculpture students have embraced this art form, and our program continues to develop this rich and expressive medium."

"Kahoru is a generous and talented member of our community of art students and much deserving of this honor," said Fine.

16th Annual Sodexho Cardinal Golf Classic Aug. 6

The Sodexho Cardinal Golf Classic, celebrating its 16th year, will be held at the Bluff Point Golf Resort and Community on Wednesday, Aug. 6. Proceeds from the event support the Cardinal Booster Club and the intercollegiate athletics program at Plattsburgh State.

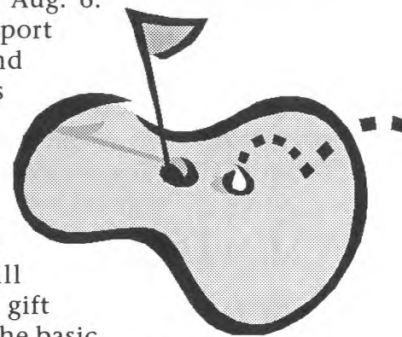
The four-person scramble format begins with an 8 a.m. or 1 p.m. shotgun start.

Every participant will receive an embroidered golf gift courtesy of Crowley Foods. The basic tournament package is \$100 and includes greens fees, golf cart, and complementary refreshments throughout the day and the reception and buffet dinner at the Valcour Conference Center, which begins at 6:30 p.m.

Golfers will compete for a series of tournament prizes courtesy of PrimeLink, including color televisions, golf merchandise and Cardinal Athletics apparel. A special hole-in-one prize will be awarded courtesy of Plattsburgh Ford for anyone who sinks a hole-in-one on the par-three 5th hole.

Individuals interested in attending only the reception and dinner can purchase a ticket for \$25 per person.

Pre-registration is necessary. To register or for more information, contact Gina Bond at 564-3098 or by email at gina.bond@plattsburgh.edu



Spotlight on faculty and staff

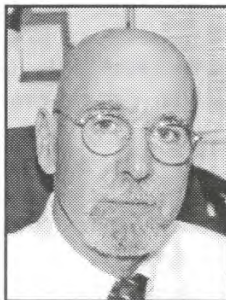
Dr. Rodney Cavanaugh, associate professor in the Department of Special Education, presented, "Incorporating Behaviorism in Undergraduate Teacher Education," as part of the symposium, "Philosophy Matters," at the Associate for Behavior Analysis Convention in San Francisco, Calif., in May. The presentation detailed how Cavanaugh embeds ideas of behaviorist scholars in the courses he teaches in special education methods. It also featured a behavioral approach to satisfying NCATE's standard for documenting instructional effectiveness by Plattsburgh State teacher candidates

with their students.

Kirk Fraser '87, equipment manager in the Department of Sport and Wellness, presented a lecture titled, "Facility Development" before 93 of his peers at the 2003 national conference of the Athletic Equipment Managers Association (AEMA) in June in Cleveland, Ohio. Fraser has been a certified member of the AEMA since 1992 and is the newsletter editor for the association's District 1, which includes all of New England, New York and New Jersey.

Dr. Richard Schnell '70 G'72, professor of counselor education, has been appointed to serve of the State Board for Mental Health Practitioners by the New York State Board of Regents. Approximately

50 mental health clinicians statewide were considered to serve on this newly-formed state licensing board. Schnell was one of three selected to represent mental health counselors. He will serve for a term of three years and will be the only counselor educator on the board. The Board for Mental Health Practitioners will establish regula-



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tions for the licensing for mental health counselors including academic and ethical requirements, grandparenting and disposition of ethical infractions.

Plattsburgh State Participating in Two Projects with AASCU

Plattsburgh State is participating in the American Association of State College and Universities (AASCU) Hallmarks of Excellence in the First Year of College Program.

The program is a national effort involving more than 200 institutions that are identifying their own criteria for judging the success of their first-year student programs. The criteria include both curricular and extra-curricular benchmarks. Establishing these benchmarks will allow Plattsburgh State to get a better sense of what it does well with first-year students and where it can improve.

Plattsburgh State is also able to call on expertise from fellow AASCU member institutions in judging the overall effectiveness of its first-year programs.

This effort is being led by Dr. Raymond Domenico, director of retention efforts. Domenico is working with the First-Year Retention Council and the Provost's Office in preparing a report to AASCU on these benchmarks. The benchmarks will be widely distributed on campus to assist the College is assessing and improving first-year student programs.

Plattsburgh will also be participating during the 2003-04 academic year in another project sponsored by AASCU and the *New York Times* titled, The American Democracy Project.

The project seeks to increase undergraduate student commitment to civic engagement, as well as to focus public attention on the civic value of the undergraduate

college experience. The project will be led by AASCU chief academic officers, including Plattsburgh State Provost Robert Golden.

The project will involve a year-long series of discussions on the issue of civic engagement. During this year-long series of activities, participating institutions will have their activities covered in the *New York Times* as well as in various AASCU publications and other venues.

In addition, individuals on this campus will be connected with participants at other AASCU institutions who are working in the field of civic engagement. The effort is aimed to help Plattsburgh State reconsider its curriculum, extra-curricular activities and institutional culture in light of the importance of civic engagement. These efforts will be linked with reform efforts underway on other AASCU campuses and with other national initiatives.

Golden perceives that the primary value of the American Democracy Project will be the promotion of the many activities at Plattsburgh State that encourage civic engagement. The College already has numerous projects focusing on civic engagement, including the Center for Service Learning, the Institute for Ethics in Public Life, the National Issues: From Controversy to Consensus Series sponsored by the Honors Center, and the Diversity Enlightenment Series sponsored by the Center for Diversity, Pluralism and Inclusion.

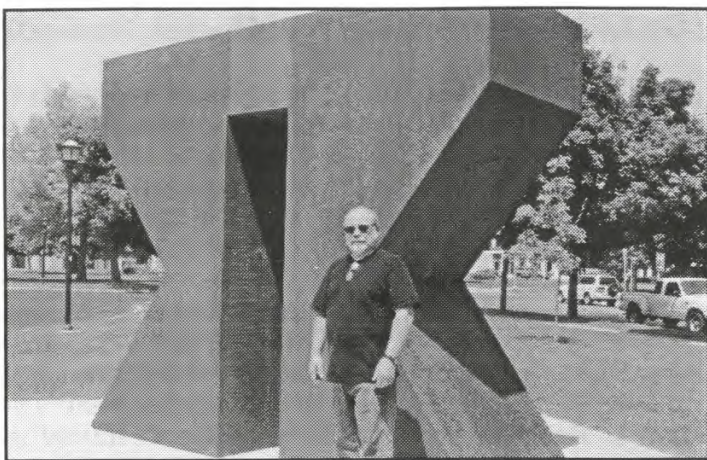
Anyone wishing further information about this project should contact the Provost's Office at 564-4204.



College Council Member and former Vice President for Institutional Advancement Donald Garrant '57 G'59 was recently inducted into the State University of New York Council for University Affairs and Development (SUNY/CUAD) Hall of Fame. Established in 2003, the Hall of Fame honors those individuals who have distinguished themselves, their institutions and the State University by their significant contributions to the organization and its mission of service and education. Garrant devoted 39 years of service to Plattsburgh State beginning in 1960 as the director of public information. He also served as assistant to the president for college relations, executive assistant to the president for college relations and development, and as executive director of the Plattsburgh College Foundation.



Dr. Carol Eaton, president of Clinton Community College, and Dr. John Clark, interim president of Plattsburgh State, signed an articulation agreement July 18 that will facilitate the transfer of Clinton graduates who receive an Associate of Arts Degree in Liberal Arts: Humanities and Social Sciences into the Communication Disorders and Sciences Program at Plattsburgh State. In attendance for the signing were: Dr. Edward Miller, interim vice president for student affairs and enrollment management; Michael Walsh '76 G'87, director of transfer admissions; Dr. James Brazil '68, vice president for academic affairs (Clinton); Dr. Robert Golden, provost and vice president for academic affairs; and Dr. Michael Morgan, interim associate dean of professional studies and chair of communication disorders and sciences.



Don Osborn, professor of art, stands next to his work, "Distance Between Right and Wrong," a welded steel piece he finished in 2001. This piece was recently moved to the front of the Kehoe Building. The space had previously been occupied by "Haints and History," a piece that was moved to the walkway outside the second floor of Kehoe so that people can take a closer look at the work. The concept for "Distance Between Right and Wrong" is based on the human response to social and political issues and the ever-changing interpretations of content to meet emotional concerns. The sculpture is a massive post-minimal form with a narrow space in the center that allows the viewer to pass through with a slight claustrophobic sensation.

Sodexho Wins Gold for Algonquin Dining Hall

Sodexho Campus Services is proud to announce that its dining facility in Algonquin Hall has garnered a Sodexho Gold 100 Award.

Two of Plattsburgh State's dining facilities, Clinton and Algonquin, were randomly audited by the National Safety Foundation in late January.

Both facilities scored very well -- Clinton Dining Hall received a 94 percent (out of 100) and Algonquin Dining Hall was awarded a perfect 100 percent score on both its food and physical safety audits, earning it a Sodexho Gold 100 Award. Sodexho has approximately 4,800 accounts and just 84 of them, including Plattsburgh State, have received this award.

Algonquin Dining Hall will be awarded with a framed certificate and the esteemed status of being a Gold 100 Award winner.

In its year-end report, Sodexho touted several successful programs throughout the academic year including:

"Cram Jam" at Clinton Dining Hall featuring food, games and giveaways; "floor dinners" in Algonquin where students were given the opportunity to discuss the food service program and make suggestions for improvement; and ethnic meals in Algonquin where students, under the supervision of the Sodexho management team, prepared a menu and did their own cooking.

The Algonquin staff made some changes to the meal format as a result of customer feedback. These changes include a new wrap station, an expanded Wok international station featuring stir-fry selections and an exclusive vegetarian and vegan section. Algonquin also hosted a Valentine's Day lunch, Earth Day lunch and steak night in addition to a Tropical Carnival Night and an RSVP dinner.

Sodexho also supported the Alternative Spring Break Program by donating gift certificates to the service auction that raised more than \$1,800 to help send 60 students and staff to volunteer at sites in the Eastern United States.

Students Face College Charges

Twenty-one students are facing violations of the Student Code of Conduct as a result of an investigation by University Police surrounding the unsanctioned pledging activities of an unrecognized and former student organization.

Plattsburgh State has taken this decisive action to ensure the health and safety of its students and to send a strong, clear message that these kinds of activities and this type of behavior will not be tolerated.

The students have been issued college charges that range from affiliating with an unrecognized group to endangerment and hazing, which are all violations of the Student Code of Conduct. The students have been notified of the college charges and

will have the opportunity to go through the College's judicial process prior to the beginning of the fall semester.

Due to the severity of the offenses, the students could be subject to sanctions including permanent dismissal from the College if found responsible for their actions.

Arlene Sabo, chief of University Police at Plattsburgh State, said, "The students charged with violations of the Student Code of Conduct are those individuals who knowingly affiliated with the unrecognized group or participated in unauthorized new member recruitment. However, some charges against some students are related to the fatal incident in March."

Walter Dean Jennings, an 18-year old Plattsburgh State student from Gansevoort, N.Y., died of hydropneumothorax, or water intoxication, March 12.

Following an extensive investigation by the Plattsburgh City Police Department, nine students and three alumni of Plattsburgh State were charged in connection with events preceding Jennings's death, which city police said was due to unsanctioned pledging activities by members of an unrecognized fraternity.

The names of the students who have been charged are not being released because the Family Educational Rights to Privacy Act (FERPA), a Federal law, protects the privacy of student academic records.

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College Receives Ten Electric Cars

Ten new Global Electric Motorcars (GEM) are traversing campus grounds and roadways at Plattsburgh State as part of a statewide plan to reduce pollution and cut operating costs.

SUNY Chancellor Robert L. King recently announced that Plattsburgh State and 25 other campuses have accepted the donation of 130 zero-emission electric cars from DaimlerChrysler and the New York Power Authority (NYPA).

"The use of these donated GEM cars on SUNY campuses will reduce by thousands of pounds the emissions of hydrocarbons, carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide and other gases to protect the environment," said King. "It will also help SUNY control costs by eliminating the use of more than 15,000 gallons of gasoline per year."

The GEM, smaller than a "normal" automobile, is a five horsepower, two-and-four passenger vehicle with a top speed of about 25 miles per hour. It meets both National Highway Safety Administration and New York State traffic safety standards for use on private property and public roads with speed limits up to 35 miles per hour. The vehicles are equipped with three-point seat belts, safety-glass windshield, wipers, headlights, turn signals and mirrors.

Plattsburgh received 10 new GEM cars for use in its campus fleet of vehicles. They will be used on campus by various departments, including Environmental Health and Safety, Field House, Heating Plant, Mail



Interim President John Clark tests a new GEM car.

Room, Maintenance and Operations and University Police.

Dr. John Clark, interim president at Plattsburgh State, said the College's use of the vehicles will benefit the environment and help the campus maximize its fiscal resources.

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Multi-Agency Disaster Drill Tests College, City and County Responses

An explosion rocks Memorial Hall. A deadly nerve agent -- Sarin -- is released during a basketball game with more than 100 people in attendance.

This was the scenario for a multi-agency disaster drill held at Plattsburgh State on Sunday, Aug. 17.

The disaster drill, which commenced at 10 a.m., involved numerous emergency service agencies from throughout Clinton County and beyond.

During the drill, more than 100

Plattsburgh State resident assistants and residence hall directors served as victims.

Clinton County Office of Emergency Services Director James King said the drill involved all levels and functions of the county's emergency system.

King said, "The purpose of the drill was to ensure that the various agencies within Clinton County are prepared to respond in a coordinated, effective manner utilizing the Incident Command System to

address an incident involving weapons of mass destruction."

The agencies involved in the drill included: CVPH Medical Center, City of Plattsburgh fire and police departments, Plattsburgh City School District, Plattsburgh State, University Police, New York State Police, Red Cross, Federal Police and numerous area volunteer fire departments along with various Clinton County agencies including Office of

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New Parking Plan Implemented on Campus

In accordance with the parking plan that was developed and approved campus-wide last year, new parking lot designations have been implemented. In addition, a new parking lot has been constructed and a second is slated for completion by October.

The biggest overall change is that parking lots are no longer shared between parking groups, i.e. off-campus students and faculty/staff. Please check the parking lots as you enter to ensure you are parking in an appropriate lot.

The following is a partial listing of changes in lot designations across campus.

Hawkins Hall:

The lots behind Hawkins, adjacent to Draper Ave. are for off-campus students only. The lot next to Cornelia Street on the side of Hawkins is for faculty/staff parking only.

President's House:

The parking lot at the President's House is for off-campus students only.

Redcay/133 Court Street:

This lot is for faculty/staff parking only.

Sibley Hall:

The front and side lots of Sibley Hall are for faculty/staff parking only. The new lot located behind Sibley is now under construction and should be completed by the end of September. This lot will be divided between off- and on-campus students.

Wilson Hall (formerly tennis courts):

This new lot, which was opened last semester, is for on-campus students only.

Memorial Hall:

The lot behind Harrington Hall is now completely on-campus student parking with the exception of the small faculty/staff parking section directly adjacent to the lower level of Memorial Hall.

Saranac Hall/Memorial Hall:

The parking lot between Memorial Hall and Saranac

Hall is now faculty/staff parking only with one row to be designated by signage as visitor only parking.

Kehoe/Myers:

This lot will be divided by signage with the section closest to Kehoe reserved for faculty/staff only. The section closest to Rugar St. is reserved for off-campus students only.

Yokum Hall:

This lot is now for visitor parking only.

Hudson Hall:

Both lots, side and back of Hudson, will be for faculty/staff only.

Beaumont Hall:

The lot behind Beaumont Hall, along Draper Ave. is divided by signage. The section closest to Broad St. is for off-campus students, while the section closest to Feinberg Library is for faculty/staff only.

Champlain Valley Hall:

This lot remains faculty/staff parking only while the Banks Hall parking lot is now designated for off-campus students only.

Please note that between the hours of 5 p.m. and 6 a.m. each weekday, and throughout the weekends, parking lots are open to all parking groups with the exception of no overnight parking hours in designated lots.

A one-week grace period during the first week of the fall semester will be granted to enable parkers to register their vehicles and learn the new lot designations. After this first week, parking will be strictly enforced and tickets will be issued for parking violations.

Another change to note is that the one-way direction into the Health Center parking lot behind Saranac Hall has been changed for safety reasons. Motorists will now enter the parking lot on the roadway between Macomb Hall and Saranac Hall (College Store) and exit that lot from the roadway adjacent to Memorial Hall.

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Emergency Management, Emergency Medical Services, health, sheriff and coroner. Twelve additional hospitals throughout Northern New York participated in the drill through the New York State Health Emergency Response System. More than 400 representatives from these agencies participated in the drill.

Dr. John Clark, interim president at Plattsburgh State, said that it is important to be as prepared as possible in case of a real emergency.

"The exercise allowed Plattsburgh State to be proactive and moved us forward in providing an environment that is safe for our College community. Our priority as an institution of higher education is to ensure the health, welfare and safety of our students and all those who come onto our campus," said Clark. "The exercise also allowed us to work in a cooperative environment with agencies in the city, county and beyond to prepare our response in the case of a real emergency."



Resident assistants acted as victims of a simulated nerve gas attack in Memorial Hall during a county-wide disaster drill Aug. 17.

Opening Week Information, Activities and Office Hours

Opening Week is one of the busiest times of the year as the College welcomes returning students and new students alike.

HOUSING

Residence Halls open for new and returning students on Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 23 and 24. Students should report to the appropriate hall office to register and get information. Students who do not know their room assignments or those who are planning to check in after Sunday should report to the Dean of Students' Office on the first floor of the Angell College Center. No-shows forfeit room reservation on Tuesday, Aug. 26 at 8 a.m.

ADMISSIONS OFFICE

The Admissions Office, 10th floor of Kehoe, will be open Saturday, Aug. 23 from noon to 4 p.m., Sunday, Aug. 24 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., and Monday, Aug. 25 from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. During these hours, newly admitted students may stop in to discuss concerns related to their enrollment. The Admissions Office phone number is 564-2040.

PAYMENTS

Students can view payments, charges and their schedule via

Banner on the web. Students who have not paid their bill should go to the Bursar's Office, first floor Kehoe. The Bursar's Office will be open Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 23 and 24 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The Bursar's Office phone number is 564-3120.

PROFICIENCY/PLACEMENT/COMPETENCY EXAMS

For student who did not take the English and Foreign Language Proficiency Exams during orientation, the English Placement Exams will be Saturday, Aug. 23 at noon in Yokum 206. Foreign Language Proficiency Exams will take place Saturday, Aug. 23 at 1 p.m. in Yokum 205 (German), Yokum 202 (French) and Yokum 200 (Spanish). The Mathematics Competency Exam will be on Saturday, Aug. 23 at 3 p.m. in Yokum 208. Results of these exams will be posted on the wall outside the Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms on Sunday, Aug. 24.

FINANCIAL AID

The Financial Aid Office, 406 Kehoe, will be open Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 23 and 24 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. New students participating in the Federal Work-Study Program must

attend one of the following meetings: Sunday, Aug. 24 at 10 a.m. or 3 p.m. in Yokum 205; Monday, Aug. 25 at 3 p.m. in the Plattsburgh Room, Angell College Center; Tuesday, Aug. 26 at 9 a.m. in the Plattsburgh Room, Angell College Center.

ID CARDS

Students who need to have their photo taken may do so Saturday, Aug. 23 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sunday, Aug. 24 from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., or Monday through Friday, Aug. 25-29 from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the ID Card Office located in Clinton Dining Hall.

CARDINAL CASH

Cardinal Cash deposits may be made weekdays throughout the school year at College Auxiliary Services, Clinton Dining Hall from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Special hours will be on Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 23 and 24 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Deposits are also accepted at the Angell College Center Desk and the Bursar's Office (first floor Kehoe) or online at CardinalCard.com

For more opening week information, please stop by the Dean of Students' Office located on the first floor of the Angell College Center.

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"Plattsburgh State receives low-cost electricity through the Plattsburgh Municipal Lighting Department," said Clark. "These vehicles offer greater fuel efficiency while minimizing air and noise pollution on campus for less cost. I cannot think of a better way to maximize our limited resources than through a generous gift like this. On behalf of Plattsburgh State, I want to thank DaimlerChrysler and NYPA."

"I'm proud of SUNY's and NYPA's role in encouraging the use of electric vehicles and thank DaimlerChrysler for working with us to improve the environment by expanding the use of alternative energy sources," said Governor George E. Pataki. "I applaud this effort and encourage all participants to maximize the benefits of these vehicles."

Daimler-Chrysler Gives New York 300 GEMS

A joint effort between the NYPA and DaimlerChrysler will place 300 zero-emission GEM neighborhood electric in service at more than 40 locations around New York State.

Global Electric Motorcars (GEM), a DaimlerChrysler subsidiary, has established a donation program in coop-

eration with NYPA to help state and local government agencies, public parks, state universities and colleges, and other non-profit organizations use non-polluting electric vehicles in an effort to promote clean air and reduce noise pollution.

SUNY is the single largest recipient through the NYPA/GEM donation program with 130 electric cars for use at 26 campuses; from Alfred in the Southern Tier to Plattsburgh in the North Country and Stony Brook on Long Island.

The Power Authority has joined forces with DaimlerChrysler because the GEM electric vehicles are the perfect match for SUNY and many public sector customers, said Eugene W. Zeltmann, NYPA president and chief executive officer. "These low-speed electric vehicles will replace an array of combustion powered vehicles now operating on SUNY campuses."

Barry Carr, GEM representative, said, "As the largest electric vehicle producer in the United States, we're happy to enter the New York market. In addition to zero emissions, the GEM offers lower maintenance costs, greater efficiency and the ability to operate on narrow thoroughfares such as campus roadways."

Lake Champlain Project Finds Interesting Results

Through a project funded by the USEPA (Lake Champlain Basin Program) and NYDEC, students at the Lake Champlain Research Institute at Plattsburgh State have been identifying "zooplankton" or animal plankton taken from 10 years of sampling on Lake Champlain from 1992-2001.

Karen Carling, from Saratoga, N.Y., started working on this project as an undergraduate three years ago and recently completed a master's thesis on the 10-year data set this summer.

Several Plattsburgh Students have gained research experience by working on this project including Adam Bouchard, Megan Pellam and Ian Ater.

Dr. Tim Mihuc, associate professor of environmental science and coordinator of LCRI, said, "Karen's research findings show some very interesting and startling trends in the Lake Champlain fauna following the zebra mussel invasion."

In her research, Carling found that Lake Champlain has experienced a significant loss in Rotifer biodiversity from the mid-1990s to 2001, likely attributed to direct consumption by invading zebra mussels.

"Rotifers are among the smallest zooplankton in the lake, feeding on small algae and other organic food sources," said Carling. "The other major groups of zoo-



Dr. Timothy Mihuc and Karen Carling

plankton in Lake Champlain are the Cladocera ("water fleas") and Copepoda, neither of which follow the 10-year decline pattern Rotifers experienced."

Carling has finished her master's degree and will be moving to Long Island, where she will be applying for jobs in environmental education and outreach.

"I'm grateful for the experience I got from working at the Institute with Dr. Mihuc," said Carling. "I would have never gotten a master's degree without being a part of this project."

Vending Changes on Campus

Following a competitive bid process, College Auxiliary Services (CAS) has awarded vending rights at Plattsburgh State for the next five years to:

Coca-Cola

An exclusivity agreement has been signed with Coca-Cola of Northern New England. Coca-Cola products will become the exclusive bottle beverages available in vending machines and dining venues after Columbus Day weekend.

All-Seasons Vending

All-Seasons Vending has been awarded the contract to provide snack and candy vending.

Wayne Duprey, CAS director, said that Coca-Cola and All-Seasons are excited about the partnership with Plattsburgh State.

"Improved servicing of the machines and state-of-the-art equipment will improve the performance and reliability of vending purchase," said Duprey.

"The financial benefits of this Coca-Cola and All-Seasons partnership will enable the campus administration and CAS Board to make a positive impact on the quality of life at Plattsburgh State," said Peter Luguri, president of CAS.

The estimated total financial value of the five-year agreement is \$1.23 million. Duprey said that this was an open-bid process. Pepsi had been the exclusive beverage provider to the dining program for many years, but chose not to participate in the bidding process.

Campus Express will be the only venue on campus authorized to sell competitive products, including Pepsi.



Members of FAIR -- For All Interested Residents -- and senior officials from Plattsburgh State gathered for an ice cream social in the Patio of Hawkins Hall in early August. The College and the local community group are working to strengthen campus-community relations. Approximately 60 residents from the Brinkerhoff/Court Street area were invited along with Mayor Daniel Stewart and Local Ward Counselor Glen Olds. Dr. Edward Miller, interim vice president for student affairs and enrollment management at Plattsburgh State, said that building and maintaining a strong relationship with the College's neighbors is an important priority. "This was a great opportunity for the College and community to expand their relationship," said Miller. "I'm glad we're working together again to reconnect and re-establish good campus-community relations." Sodexho Campus Services sponsored the successful and well-attended event.



Celebrating its 16th year, the Sodexho Cardinal Classic provided a fun and exciting day for golfers. The tournament was held at the Bluff Point Golf Resort and Community in early August. Some 200 participants golfed to benefit the Cardinal Booster Club, which is part of the Plattsburgh College Foundation. The morning teams got through the course before the rain hit; the afternoon teams were delayed as a summer shower passed through. But even the rain couldn't dampen the spirit as good friends and new acquaintances huddled under the tent to avoid getting wet. Finally the rain slowed and stopped so that the afternoon teams could be on their way. This year's Cardinal Classic raised more than \$12,000. Proceeds from the annual event support the Cardinal Booster Club and the intercollegiate athletics program at Plattsburgh State.



The Lake Champlain Sea Kayak Institute, a program of the Adirondack Experience at Plattsburgh State, celebrated its fifth year this summer. The Institute is comprised of a week of classes, clinics, a demo day and a race around Valcour Island. Experienced instructors guided participants through an exciting array of events and classes including the "bring your own boat" clinics, the four-day sea kayaking course and the demo day. New to this year's schedule were two free classes - "Yoga for Paddlers" and "Piloting for Paddlers." The four-day sea kayaking course filled up quickly, and the clinics were also very well attended. "Kayaking is popular, in part because almost anyone can sit down in a boat and paddle it," said Dr. Larry Soroka, director of the Adirondack Experience Program. "What technique and skills do is open up new potentials and possibilities."

John Carothers Takes Development Position at University of Nevada, Reno

John Carothers, the vice president for Institutional Advancement at Plattsburgh State and executive director of the Plattsburgh College Foundation, has been appointed associate vice president for development and alumni affairs at the University of Nevada, Reno.

Carothers, who has been at Plattsburgh State since 1999, will leave Plattsburgh State Sept. 15 and will assume his new position effective in mid-October.

"I have been offered and have accepted a wonderful opportunity to advance my career and continue my work in higher education philanthropy at the University of Nevada at Reno," said Carothers, who noted it is not without sadness. "I have been fortunate to work with a dedicated staff, outstanding Foundation and alumni boards and the College Council. I have enjoyed this service, appreciated the opportunity it offered and the good works we've been able to accomplish."

"Plattsburgh will always have a special place in my heart, and I look forward to continuing to support the endowed scholarship my wife, Amy, and I established in my mother's honor with the College Foundation."

Dr. John Clark, interim president of Plattsburgh State, thanked Carothers for his service to the campus community.

"While I have not known John very long, I want to



Carothers

thank him for his service and guidance to Plattsburgh State and the Plattsburgh College Foundation. On behalf of the campus community, I want to wish him and his family the best in his future endeavors," said Clark.

The University of Nevada, Reno enrolls more than 15,000 students in graduate and undergraduate programs each year. It is a land-grant university and is known for its medical school and doctoral programs.

Carothers will manage a staff of about 60 development and alumni officers in the Development and Alumni Relations Division of the university. It raises more than \$14 million per year and has an endowment of \$120 million.

During Carothers' four year-span at Plattsburgh State, the Plattsburgh College Foundation has seen an increase in several areas. Donor participation has steadily increased among alumni, faculty, staff, corporations, businesses, parents and friends. The foundation has also received more than \$6.8 million in private support.

Trent Trahan, president of the Foundation, said, "I have enjoyed working with John immensely. He has certainly helped to create the model that will allow the Foundation to grow and prosper into the future."

Clark will be making a decision concerning the head of institutional advancement prior to Carother's departure in September.

FOCUS Calendar Friday, Aug. 22 - Thursday, Sept. 11

For information on weekly meetings and other upcoming events, check the Plattsburgh State Web Calendar at: <http://banweb.cc.plattsburgh.edu/banprd/plsql/events.calendar>

FRIDAY, AUG. 22

8:30 a.m. President's Breakfast, sponsored by President's Office. Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms.

8 a.m. International Student Orientation, sponsored by International Student Services. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

9 a.m. Arts & Science Divisional Meeting, sponsored by Arts & Sciences. Yokum Room 200.

10 a.m. R.D. Meeting, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Amnesty Room.

12 p.m. Professional Studies, sponsored by Professional Studies. Sibley 100.

2 p.m. International Picnic, sponsored by International Student Services. Angell College Center Courtyard. Rain location is the Warren Ballroom, Angell College Center.

SATURDAY, AUG. 23

8 a.m. Operation I.D., sponsored by University Police. Angell College Center Lobby. 11:30 a.m. English Placement Exam, sponsored by English Department. Yokum Hall 206.

1 p.m. French Placement Exam, sponsored by Foreign Languages & Literature Dept. Yokum Hall 202.

1 p.m. German Placement Exam, sponsored by Foreign Languages & Literature Dept. Yokum Hall 205.

1 p.m. Spanish Placement Exam, sponsored by Foreign Languages & Literature Dept. Yokum Room 200.

3 p.m. Math Competency Exam, sponsored by Mathematics Department. Yokum Hall 208.

10 p.m. Bruce McDonald Hypnotist, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms.

SUNDAY, AUG. 24

8 a.m. Operation I.D., sponsored by University Police. Angell College Center Lobby.

10 a.m. Financial Aid, sponsored by Financial Aid Office. Yokum Hall 205.

3 p.m. Financial Aid, sponsored by Financial Aid Office. Yokum Hall 205.

MONDAY, AUG. 25

8 a.m. ACC Desk Training, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Meeting Room 1.

8 a.m. Student Employment Registration Fair, sponsored by Career & Placement Center. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

3 p.m. Work Study Meeting, sponsored by Financial Aid Office. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

TUESDAY, AUG. 26

9 a.m. Work Study Meeting, sponsored by Financial Aid Office. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

9:30 a.m. ACC Desk Training, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Meeting Room 1.

9:30 a.m. Freshman Seminar, sponsored by Student Support Services. Angell College Center Meeting Room 8.

1:30 p.m. Freshmen Seminar Class, sponsored by Student Support Services. Angell College Center Meeting Room 8.

4 p.m. Campus Community Partnership Meeting, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

4:30 p.m. Faculty Senate Meetings, sponsored by Learning Center. Angell College Center Meeting Room 1.

8 p.m. Outing Club Meeting, sponsored by Outing Club. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

8 p.m. Real Deal Crazy Game Show, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms.

9:30 p.m. Alpha Phi Omega Weekly Meeting, sponsored by Alpha Phi Omega. Angell College Center Amnesty Room.

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 27

10:30 a.m. VP Council Meeting, sponsored by Student Affairs & Enrollment Management. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

12 p.m. ACC Desk Training, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Meeting Room 8.

2 p.m. Recruitment Meeting, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Meeting Room 1.

2 p.m. Judicial Office Meeting, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Meeting Room 2.

6 p.m. CWC Weekly Meeting, sponsored by Center for Womyn's Concerns. Angell College Center Meeting Room 1.

7 p.m. Students for Direct Democracy Meeting, sponsored by Students for a Direct Democracy. Angell College Center Meeting Room 1.

7 p.m. Project Help Ice Cream Social, sponsored by Project Help. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

8:30 p.m. SOUL Weekly Meeting, sponsored by SOUL. Angell College Center Meeting Room 1.

THURSDAY, AUG. 28

9:30 a.m. Freshman Seminar, sponsored by Student Support Services. Angell College Center Meeting Room 8.

12:30 p.m. Executive Weekly Board Meeting, sponsored by SA Activities Coordination Board. Angell College Center Meeting Room 8.

1:30 p.m. Freshmen Seminar Class, sponsored by Student Support Services. Angell College Center Meeting Room 8.

3 p.m. Baseball Meeting, sponsored by Sport & Wellness. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

6 p.m. Meet the Greeks/National Panhellenic Council, sponsored by Panhellenic Council. Angell College Center Warren Ballroom A.

7 p.m. Environmental Action Committee, sponsored by Environmental

Action Committee. Angell College Center Meeting Room 6.

8 p.m. Hillel Weekly Meeting, sponsored by Hillel. Angell College Center Meeting Room 8.

FRIDAY, AUG. 29

8 p.m. Opening Week Comedy Show, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms.

10 p.m. Welcome Back Party, sponsored by O.W.E.. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

SATURDAY, AUG. 30

10 a.m. Kickoff Orientation, sponsored by Americorp. Angell College Center Warren Ballroom A.

1 p.m. Welcome Back Barbeque, sponsored by AKEBA. Memorial Hall Field.

10 p.m. PSU Late Night - Casino Night, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Warren Ballroom B.

SUNDAY, AUG. 31

3:30 p.m. Sigma Delta Tau Chapter Meetings, sponsored by Sigma Delta Tau. Angell College Center Amnesty Room.

MONDAY, SEPT. 1

2 p.m. Arts & Science Chairperson Meeting, sponsored by Arts & Sciences. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

8 p.m. African Unity Org. Meeting, sponsored by African Unity Organization. Angell College Center Meeting Room 1.

8 p.m. BACCHUS/GAMMA Peer Education, sponsored by BACCHUS/GAMMA. Angell College Center Meeting Room 8.

9 p.m. El Pueblo Meeting, sponsored by El Pueblo. Angell College Center Amnesty Room.

10:15 p.m. S.A. Executive Council Meeting, sponsored by Student Association.

Angell College Center
Plattsburgh Room.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 2

9:30 a.m. Freshman Seminar, sponsored by Student Support Services. Angell Center Meeting Room 8.

12 p.m. Learn to Learn Workshop, sponsored by Learning Center. Angell Center Cardinal Lounge.

1:30 p.m. Freshmen Seminar Class, sponsored by Student Support Services. Angell College Center Meeting Room 8.

8 p.m. Outing Club Meeting, sponsored by Outing Club. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

9:30 p.m. Alpha Phi Omega Weekly Meeting, sponsored by Alpha Phi Omega. Angell College Center Amnesty Room.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 3

6 p.m. CWC Weekly Meeting, sponsored by Center for Womyn's Concerns. Angell College Center Meeting Room 1.

7 p.m. Students for Direct Democracy Meeting, sponsored by Students for a Direct Democracy. Angell College Center Meeting Room 1.

8:30 p.m. SOUL Weekly Meeting, sponsored by SOUL. Angell College Center Meeting Room 1.

10:15 p.m. S.A. Senate Meetings, sponsored by Student Association. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 4

9:30 a.m. Freshman Seminar, sponsored by Student Support Services. Angell College Center Meeting Room 8.

12 p.m. Women's Studies Forum, sponsored by Women's Studies Department. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

12:30 p.m. Executive Weekly Board Meeting, sponsored by SA Activities Coordination Board. Angell College Center Meeting Room 8.

1:30 p.m. Freshmen Seminar Class, sponsored by Student Support Services. Angell Center Meeting Room 8.

7 p.m. Environmental Action Committee, sponsored by Environmental

Action Committee. Angell College Center Meeting Room 6.

8 p.m. Club Caribbean Meeting, sponsored by Club Caribbean. Angell College Center Amnesty Room.

8 p.m. Hillel Weekly Meeting, sponsored by Hillel. Angell College Center Meeting Room 8.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 5

4 p.m. ODK Meeting, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 6

9 a.m. Greek Council Goal-Setting Retreat, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 7

9 a.m. Greek Council Goal-Setting Retreat, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

3:30 p.m. Sigma Delta Tau Chapter Meetings, sponsored by Sigma Delta Tau. Angell College Center Amnesty Room.

MONDAY, SEPT. 8

12 p.m. CDPI TEAM Information Session, sponsored by Center for Diversity Pluralism & Inclusion. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

8 p.m. BACCHUS/GAMMA Peer Education, sponsored by BACCHUS/GAMMA. Angell College Center Meeting Room 8.

10:15 p.m. S.A. Executive Council Meeting, sponsored by Student Association. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 9

9:30 a.m. Freshman Seminar, sponsored by Student Support Services. Angell College Center Meeting Room 8.

12 p.m. CDPI Team Information Session, sponsored by Center for Diversity Pluralism & Inclusion. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

12 p.m. Learn to Learn Workshop, sponsored by Learning Center. Angell Center Cardinal Lounge.

1:30 p.m. Freshmen Seminar Class, sponsored by Student Support Services. Angell Center Meeting Room 8.

4:30 p.m. Faculty Senate Monthly Meeting, sponsored by Learning Center. Angell Center Plattsburgh Room.

8 p.m. Outing Club Meeting, sponsored by Outing Club. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

9:30 p.m. Alpha Phi Omega Weekly Meeting, sponsored by Alpha Phi Omega. Angell Center Amnesty Room.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 10

4:30 p.m. ODK New Faculty Reception, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell Center Plattsburgh Room.

5 p.m. Peer Education Training, sponsored by Sociology & Criminal Justice Department. Angell College Center Amnesty Room.

6 p.m. CWC Weekly Meeting, sponsored by Center for Womyn's Concerns. Angell Center Meeting Room 1.

7 p.m. Students for Direct Democracy Meeting, sponsored by Students for a Direct Democracy. Angell College Center Meeting Room 1.

8:30 p.m. SOUL Weekly Meeting, sponsored by SOUL. Angell College Center Meeting Room 1.

10:15 p.m. S.A. Senate Meetings, sponsored by Student Association. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 11

8 a.m. Greek Consultant Meetings, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Meeting Room 3.

9:30 a.m. Freshman Seminar, sponsored by Student Support Services. Angell Center Meeting Room 8.

10 a.m. CVPH Blood Drive, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

12 p.m. Women's Studies Forum, sponsored by Women's Studies Department. Cardinal Lounge.

12:30 p.m. Executive Weekly Board Meeting, sponsored by SA Activities Coordination Board. Angell College Center Meeting Room 8.

1:30 p.m. Freshmen Seminar Class, sponsored by Student Support Services. Angell Center Meeting Room 8.

7 p.m. Environmental Action Committee, sponsored by Environmental Action Committee. Angell College Center Meeting Room 6.

8 p.m. Hillel Weekly Meeting, sponsored by Hillel. Angell Center Meeting Room 8.

Focus Schedule for 2003 Fall Semester

Aug. 22	Sept. 5
Sept. 19	Oct. 3
Oct. 17	Oct. 31
Nov. 14	Dec. 5

To submit items for Focus: The general rule is the earlier, the better. The final deadline for items to appear in *Focus* is **one week** prior to the dates above. Due to space limitations, not all items will appear in *Focus*. To request coverage (i.e. photographer) of an event on campus or to send out a press release for an event, please contact Keith Tyo or Frances Dumenci in the Office for Institutional Advancement at 564-2090. The information and/or request must be received **at least two weeks** prior to the event. Faculty and staff members are especially encouraged to send information for **Spotlight**, including recent publications, presentations, awards, conference participation, etc. Information may be sent via email to news@plattsburgh.edu or mailed to 113 Hawkins Hall.

Curle Named Men's Basketball Coach

Plattsburgh State has announced the appointment of Thomas Curle as head men's basketball coach.

Tom Curle, a 1982 Plattsburgh State alumnus and former basketball player, was the men's coach at SUNY Institute of Technology in Utica for the past year.

Peter Luguri, associate vice president for student affairs and enrollment management and director of athletics, announced Curle's hiring July 30.

"Coach Curle has a proven record as a basketball coach. I am confident that he will provide first-rate leadership to Plattsburgh State's men's basketball program. We're fortunate to have him return to his alma mater," said Luguri.

"I'm very excited about returning to Plattsburgh State. I feel like I'm coming home and putting myself in a unique position to build a successful program at my alma mater," Curle said.

Curle replaces Ed Jones, who resigned in June after five seasons at

the College. Curle was men's basketball coach at SUNYIT in 2002-03 and led the Wildcats to a 17-10 record and an ECAC Tournament berth in the squad's best season since 1997-98.

Prior to SUNYIT, Curle coached five years at Teikyo Post University (1997-02), registering a 76-72 record. He established team records for victories in a season (21) and in a career. The Eagles qualified for the Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference playoffs all five years of his tenure.

Curle posted a 170-91 overall record in nine years at Alfred State (1988-97), his first head coaching job. He recruited and coached six Junior College All-Americans and three Academic All-Americans en route to the most victories ever by a coach at the institution.

Prior to becoming a head coach,



Dr. John Clark welcomes new men's basketball coach Tom Curle to Plattsburgh State.

Curle spent three years (1984-88) as an assistant coach at Geneseo, where he helped the team to 21 wins in his final season, up from six in his first.

Curle began his collegiate playing career at Elmira in 1978. He transferred to Plattsburgh prior to the 1980-81 season and was a captain and starter for the Cardinals, averaging 5.2 points and 2.6 rebounds per game for his career.

Athletic Department Sees Other Changes

Willmott New Track & Field Coach; DeMonte New Lacrosse Coach

Brett Willmott, a former assistant track and field coach and student-athlete at Plattsburgh State, has been named head men's and women's track and field coach.

Peter Luguri, associate vice president for student affairs and enrollment management and director of athletics, said, "We are fortunate to attract Coach Willmott back to Plattsburgh State and are confident he will provide first-rate leadership to our track programs."

Willmott will also assume the role of interim cross country coach for this year with the departure of Scott Slade, who has resigned to take a similar position in California.

"I'm very excited to return to Plattsburgh to accept the challenge of helping the programs get back

to its past levels of success," Willmott said.

Willmott was head men's and women's cross country and track and field coach at SUNY New Paltz from March 1999 until coming to Plattsburgh.

Plattsburgh State has appointed **Scott DeMonte** as head men's lacrosse coach.

DeMonte, a Huntington, N.Y., native and 1992 graduate of Half Hollow Hills East High School, was the coach at the University of California, Santa Barbara (UCSB) for the past four years.

"I'm really excited to join the Plattsburgh State team and continue to build on what Coach Combs started. It's my goal to reach the SUNYAC playoffs, become a power in the conference and get to the national level," DeMonte stated.

DeMonte replaces John Combs, who resigned in June after four seasons at Plattsburgh State.

Since 1999, DeMonte posted a 64-19 career record at UCSB and led the Gauchos to a runner-up finish in the USLIA national championship in 2003.

He was honored by his peers as the 2003 USLIA National Coach of the Year and also was the 2003 Western Collegiate Lacrosse League Coach of the Year.

In addition to UCSB, DeMonte has been an assistant coach with USA West Men's Lacrosse, a collegiate All-Star team that has toured Europe and Australia. He also led the Under-19 team to a third-place finish in the International Open Division at the 2002 World Games.

DeMonte played collegiately at Farmingdale College.

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Six Receive Promotion to Professor

Six faculty members at Plattsburgh State have received promotions to full professors effective Sept. 1, and six others have received promotions to associate professor.

Receiving promotions to professor are: Dr. Vincent Carey, history; Dr. Mohammed Djerdjouri, management and marketing; Diane Fine, chair of the art department; Dr. Enamuthu Joseph, nursing, food and nutrition; Dr. Faten Moussa, management and marketing; and Dr. Steven Schacht, sociology.

Dr. Carey joined the faculty as an associate professor in 1991 and has been an active scholar, writer and professor-teacher of history during his tenure at Plattsburgh State. Prior to that he served as a visiting professor at Concordia University in Montreal, Canada, an adjunct lecturer at Queens College (CUNY) in New York City and as an instructor at SUNY Stony Brook.

He has published three books including his latest work, *Surviving the Tudors: Gerald the "Wizard" Earl of Kildare and English Rule in Ireland, 1537-1586*. (Four Courts Press, 2002.) Carey received a National Endowment for the Humanities Long-Term Fellowship at the Folger Shakespeare Library in Washington, D.C., in the 2001-2002 academic year. He was recently named a recipient of the Chancellor's Awards for Excellence in Teaching.

Carey received his undergraduate and master's degrees in history from the National University of Ireland at Maynooth and his doctorate from SUNY Stony Brook.

Dr. Djerdjouri was appointed an associate professor in the School of Business and Economics in 1999. Prior to coming to Plattsburgh State, he was an associate professor in the School of Commerce and Administration at Laurentian University in Sudbury, Ont., Canada. An associate in the Center for the Study of Canada, Djerdjouri also coordinates the Business

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Carey



Djerdjouri



Fine



Joseph



Moussa

School of Business and Economics Offers New Entrepreneurship Major

The School of Business and Economics at Plattsburgh State is now offering a new study option within the business major.

The entrepreneurship program makes its debut this fall and is for those who want to launch their own business, help with a family business or become a project manager in a large business.

"The entrepreneurship study option provides students another opportunity to acquire the skills, knowledge and some practical experience in starting up a new business or to introduce and implement innovative ideas in larger businesses," said Dr. Siamack Shojai, dean of the School of Business and Economics.

"It is also significant to the North Country community because we are inviting distinguished and established business leaders who have themselves experienced the entrepreneurship waters to come into the classroom. Our students will benefit from their experience,

and business leaders will be role models to so many bright and eager students," said Shojai.

The program is comprised of five core courses plus the general education requirements and other business course requirements. These five courses are: entrepreneurship and intrapreneurship (MGM334); small business management (MGM336); strategic management (MGM490); personal financial planning

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Campus to Establish Authorized Drivers List

All Plattsburgh State students, faculty and staff who will drive state-owned, leased or rented vehicles or College Auxiliary Services vehicles on state business will have to have prior approval as an authorized driver beginning Oct. 1.

The State University of New York is requiring each SUNY campus to establish a Drivers' Safety Records Review and Authorization Policy.

Arlene Sabo, chief of University Police, said her department will now use the License Event Notification System, or LENS, to determine if applicants may be a driving risk.

"LENS is a New York State Department of Motor Vehicle computer program that verifies the validity of New York State driver's licenses and reports any vehicle and traffic convictions, license suspensions or revocations," said Sabo. "Ultimately we hope that we are improving the safety of our students, employees and the driving public by establishing a drivers' safety policy, which will enable the College to identify those individuals through the LENS program who do not have valid licenses. As of Oct. 1, these drivers will not be allowed to operate state or CAS owned, leased or rented vehicles on state-related business."

Faculty who drive vans for class-related events, staff members who

operate leased vehicles to Albany for SUNY meetings and even students who drive vans for student-organized events are just a few of the individuals who will now be required to submit a copy of their license to University Police at least three weeks in advance of their travel date.

College employees and students using a State-owned vehicle on campus grounds, including those in Maintenance and Operations, will also be required to have their licenses reviewed.

Because of the increased risk in operating the large 15-passenger vans, drivers who have been convicted of a number of certain driving violations within a specified time period may not be authorized to drive them. The violations are specified in the Drivers' Safety Records Review and Authorization Policy.

Employees and students with New York State driver's licenses will only have to submit a copy of their license once. However, those campus individuals who do not possess an in-state driver's license will have to provide University Police a copy of their driving abstract each semester. Individuals holding international driver's licenses will not be able to operate the vehicles.

Sabo said that the College reserves the right to deny employees

and students from operating state and CAS vehicles in cases where special circumstances exist that make the driver a risk, such as an individual who has been charged with vehicular assault or manslaughter but not convicted. She also said that the College reserves the right to clear a driver for operating a state or CAS vehicle in cases where special circumstances exonerate the driver of being a risk.

Sabo hopes that those individuals who will be driving state or CAS vehicles as of Oct. 1 will submit a copy of their license along with a signed LENS release form as soon as possible.

"I would suggest that an applicant submit the copy of their license at least three weeks in advance of their travel date. Otherwise, we will have to utilize a different and costlier computer program for each individual inquiry, and we will still eventually need to utilize LENS," said Sabo.

Applications and information about LENS and the Drivers' Safety Records Review and Authorization Policy are available through department heads or at University Police. More information is also available by contacting Chief Arlene Sabo at 518-564-2022 or arlene.sabo@plattsburgh.edu

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(ECO 350) and a management internship (MGM 498).

"The internship portion of the study option will provide the students with a much more structured experience while learning outside of the classroom," said Dr. James Csipak, associate professor of management and marketing. "Students and the College will be able to make more connections to businesses in the local community, which is one of the on-going requirements of the AACSB accreditation. The program also has a close connection with the Small Business Development Center."

The study option was researched by faculty members within the department, according to Csipak.

"Dr. Lise Heroux (professor of management and marketing) spent a lot of time looking at similar programs offered at other universities. She looked at what would be the best for this program and put things together," said Csipak, who teaches the entrepreneurship and intrapreneurship course. "The faculty have attended several conferences to get more information on different entrepreneurship programs across the country and to share ideas with other faculty members. Dean Shojai has

been very encouraging, helpful and has provided resources for the conferences."

Csipak said that the program is very challenging for students and provides all sorts of opportunities for students to come up with innovative business ideas.

"First we have the students 'paint by the numbers,' then we have students create the colors. That's the philosophy here. Entrepreneurship is all about thinking and doing. It's about being action-oriented," said Csipak. "Students will have to think creatively and on their feet. It's a mixture of art and science. Students will use scientific knowledge as well as artistic skills. This is what makes it a discipline."

The courses within the entrepreneurship study option are also available for students outside the School of Business and Economics. They may take this opportunity to learn skills to start their own business, said Csipak.

"Students in arts and science can take these classes to enhance their own programs," said Csipak. "Accounting, finance and economic majors can also create a double major with this study option."



Interim President Dr. John Clark talked to members of Sigma Tau Gamma as they fire up a picnic on Saturday, Aug. 23 to welcome back their members. The fraternity is the recent recipient of the McCune Distinguished Chapter Award presented by the national chapter. Clark and Plattsburgh Mayor Dan Stewart joined forces to welcome students back to campus before the start of the fall semester. The two traveled via their GEM (battery-operated) cars to off-campus student housing including several fraternities and sororities. Stewart and Clark traveled on Brinkerhoff, Court and Broad Streets, stopping to talk to students who were moving into their homes away from home. This outreach effort was also a part of the College's goal to better its relationship with its neighbors.



Incoming freshmen and transfer students participated in a tree planting ritual following the Fall Convocation and Welcoming Ceremony on Sunday, Aug. 24. The convocation ceremony and annual tree planting event signifies the beginning of these students' college careers at Plattsburgh State. Interim President John Clark (seen above in his academic regalia) and members of the faculty also watched as several students helped plant the tree. The convocation ceremony was attended by many new students, faculty members and some of the students' family members. Dr. Clark asked for a few moments of silence during the ceremony to remember Christopher Ciccarello of Centereach, N.Y., an incoming freshman student who was killed in an accident the day before on his way to Plattsburgh State.

Northcountry Planetarium Fall Shows

The Northcountry Planetarium, located in Hudson Hall at Plattsburgh State, has scheduled the following public shows for the Fall 2003 semester.

Friday Sept. 5

7 & 8:30 p.m.

September Ephemeris 2003

This show will provide an introduction to the coming sky events of the month with a special look at Mars.

Friday Sept. 19

6:30, 7:30 & 8:30 p.m.

Skies of Jade

Special Family Weekend Show

In this show, ancient Chinese records of sky events will be investigated and why these events were not recorded in Europe will be examined.

Friday Oct. 3

7 & 8:30 p.m.

October Ephemeris 2003

This show will search for some of the sky treasures of autumn.

Friday Oct. 17

4 & 6 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 18

3 p.m.

The Light Hearted Astronomer

Special Homecoming Weekend Program

Based on the book by Ken Fulton, this show is a down-home laid-back introduction to backyard amateur

astronomy. If you've ever been "star-struck" just looking up at the vastness and beauty of the night skies, this show is for you.

Friday, Nov. 7

7 & 8:30 p.m.

Skies of Jade

In this show, ancient Chinese records of sky events will be investigated and why these events were not recorded in Europe will be examined.

Friday, Nov 21

7 & 8:30 p.m.

Winter Ephemeris 2003

This show will explore the coming skies of winter. Although the days grow colder, the night sky blazes forth with new brilliance.

Friday, Dec. 5

7 & 8:30 p.m.

Director's Choice Show topic to be announced

The Northcountry Planetarium is located in Hudson Hall at Plattsburgh State. Tickets for all shows except the special Family Weekend and Homecoming Weekend shows are available during the week of the show at the Angell College Center Information Desk. Tickets are \$2 per person.

For more information please call (518) 564-3168.

Wiley and Solsten Honored During Convocation

J. W. Wiley, staff associate in the Center for Diversity, Pluralism and Inclusion, and Karen Solsten, an adjunct lecturer in the Department of Mathematics at Plattsburgh State, were honored at the 16th annual Fall Convocation and Welcoming Ceremony Aug. 24.

Wiley, who is also an adjunct lecturer in the Department of Philosophy, received the Phi Eta Sigma Distinguished Faculty Award for 2002-2003, while Solsten accepted the Adjunct Faculty Teaching Excellence Award during the ceremony.

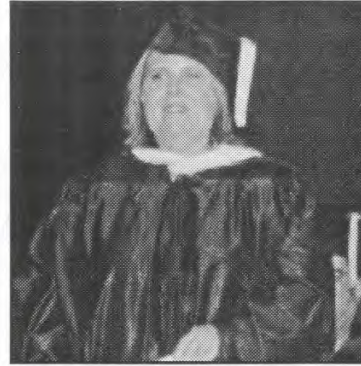


Wiley

Wiley has served as director of the Center for Diversity, Pluralism and Inclusion since coming to Plattsburgh State in 2000. He was an adjunct professor of philosophy at Cerritos College (Calif.) and an adjunct professor of humanities at Citrus College (Calif.) prior to joining Plattsburgh State. He also served as an assistant dean of academic affairs in the Provost's Office and director of the McNairs Scholars Program at Claremont Graduate University (Calif.)

Wiley holds a bachelor's degree in philosophy from California State University and a master's in philosophy from Claremont Graduate School. He is nearing com-

pletion of his studies for his doctorate in philosophy and cultural students from Claremont.



Solsten

Solsten received her appointment to the Plattsburgh State faculty in August 1999. In addition to teaching Introductory Statistics through the SUNY Learning Network at Plattsburgh State, she currently is a math instructor at John Abbot College in Montreal, Quebec (Canada).

Her prior experience includes a two year appointment as a graduate teaching assistant at the University of Missouri - St. Louis and as a math instructor at Lewis and Clark Community College.

She received her bachelor's and master's degrees at the University of Missouri - St. Louis.

Also during the ceremony, the Chancellor's Award recipients -- Dr. Vincent Carey, professor of history, Keith Tyo, director of communications and Carla Hendrix, associate librarian (Dr. Alexis Levitin, professor of English, was unable to attend) -- were recognized. Also recognized were Dr. M. Daphne Kutzer, a SUNY Distinguished Teaching Professor of English, and Carla List-Handley, a SUNY Distinguished Librarian.

Spotlight on faculty and staff

Dr. Jean Ouedraogo, assistant professor of French, published nine entries in the 2003 *Routledge Encyclopedia of African Literature*. His entries covered nine Francophone writers from five West African countries. He also attended the 56th Annual Kentucky's Foreign Language Conference in Lexington where he read a paper titled, "Cinema et projet identitaire chez trois réalisateurs ouest africains." The paper stemmed from his Drescher Research Project. Dr. Ouedraogo also published a 23-page article, "L'espace scriptural chez Kourouma ou la tragicomédie du roman" in the latest issue of *Presence Francophone: Revue*

Internationale de langue et de littérature.

Shakuntala Rao, associate professor of communication, presented a paper at the International Communication Association Conference in San Diego, Calif., in May. The paper won the best faculty paper award and will appear in the Summer 2004 issue of the journal, *Interventions: International Journal of Postcolonial Studies*.

Dr. Mary Roden-Tice, associate professor of geology, received a \$90,000 two-year grant from the Tectonics Program of the National Science Foundation to do collaborative research on "The Role of Orogen Parallel Fault Systems in the Late Exhumation History of a

Convergent Orogen" with Dr. David West of Middlebury College. This study will provide information on the exhumation history of the northern Appalachians and the mechanisms and processes associated with post-orogenic mountain belt exhumation. Dr. Roden-Tice



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was also coauthor with Dr. West of the publication titled "Late Cretaceous reactivation of the Norumbega fault zone, Maine: Evidence from apatite fission-track ages" in the July 2003 issue of *Geology*.

Faculty, Staff Receive New Positions on Campus

Several individuals received new assignments this summer at Plattsburgh State.

Dr. Patricia Hoffmann was appointed associate dean of professional studies July 1. In her new role, Hoffman will facilitate grant development within the division by assisting other faculty members with writing grant applications. She will also support the daily operations of the dean's office.

Dr. Michael Morgan was appointed interim associate dean of professional studies effective July 7. He will serve in this capacity until June 30, 2004 and has responsibility for serving as the back-up to the dean on college committees, handling student issues, coordinating scheduling and processing of college documents for the dean's office, chairing the divisional curriculum committee and overseeing the curricular process within the division.

In addition to his new half-time assignment, Morgan will continue to teach and chair the Department of Communication Disorders and Sciences.

Dr. Raymond Domenico, assistant to the vice president for academic affairs and director of retention

efforts at Plattsburgh State, has been appointed coordinator of curricula.

Domenico will be responsible for the course and curricular development process, which includes working in consonance with the campus governance procedures.

He will review all course and curriculum changes, as well as new program proposals, and will handle communication with the SUNY System Administration in regards to new and revised program approvals.

Domenico will monitor the content of the undergraduate catalog and will also ensure that all of the campus' curricular publications and materials - admissions, catalog and other external - accurately reflect the current status of programs and curricula.

Howard Lowe has been named director of economic development at Plattsburgh State, a position he has held on an interim basis for the past year. Lowe oversees the Technical Assistance Center at Plattsburgh State, one of 68 economic development agencies designated university centers in the United States and one of two in New York State. The other site is at Cornell University.

Promotions (Continued from Page 1)

Analysis Minor in the School of Business and Economics. Djerdjouri received a bachelor's degree in mathematics from the Université des Sciences et de la Technologie, Algiers, Algeria and his master's and doctorate in operations research/applied mathematics from Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, Ohio.

Ms. Fine joined the teaching staff in 1988 as an assistant professor of art. She was promoted to associate professor in 1995 and is currently the chair of the art department.

Known for her active scholarly work in her field, Fine works chiefly in the areas of printmaking and the book arts. She exhibits her work regularly and is represented in a number of important collections including the Museum of Modern Art in New York, the New York Public Library and Yale University Art Gallery. Fine received her B.F.A. from Syracuse University and her M.F.A. from the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

Dr. Joseph came to Plattsburgh State in 1994 from the University of Nebraska - Kearney. She is the supervisor of the Foods Lab within the Department of Nursing, Food and Nutrition and serves on various academic and student recruitment committees.

Joseph has actively conducted research and field studies into a number of scholarly areas including the time required by children to eat lunch at elementary, middle and high schools and nutrient intake of college students and vegetarians among the college populations.

Joseph received her bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of Madras, India, a master's from the University of Nebraska - Lincoln and a Ph.D. from Washington State University - Pullman.

Dr. Moussa joined the faculty at Plattsburgh State as an assistant professor in 1989. She was promoted to

associate professor in 1996 and is currently a professor of management in the School of Business and Economics. She has written numerous articles in refereed journals and has had a number of papers published in proceedings of various national and international conferences and meetings.

Moussa holds a bachelor's degree and an M.B.A. from Cairo University (Egypt), and an M.B.A., M. Phil. and Ph.D. from Baruch College (CUNY).

Dr. Schacht came to Plattsburgh State as an assistant professor in 1998. He was promoted to associate professor in 2001. Prior to coming to Plattsburgh, he held a series of visiting assistant professor positions throughout the United States.

His primary areas of research and teaching are class, gender, race, sexuality and theory.

Schacht received his bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of North Dakota - Grand Forks and his doctorate from Colorado State University. He is currently on an extended leave from the college.

Ten faculty members have received promotions to associate professor: Dr. Robert Ackland, literacy education; Dr. Renee Bator, psychology; Dr. Sylvie Beaudreau, history; Dr. Wendy Braje, psychology; Dr. Jose deOndarza, biology; Dr. Jeff Hornibrook, history; Dr. Changman Lee, special education; Dr. Margaret Morrow, mathematics; Dr. Rachelle Perusse, counselor education; and Norman Taber, art. Karen Volkman was promoted to librarian in Feinberg Library.

Four other faculty members have received continuing appointments. They are: Dr. Patrick Coppens, communication disorders and sciences; Dr. Suzanne Hungerford, communication disorders and sciences; Dr. Heidi Schnackenberg, adolescence education; and Ravil Veli, library and information services.

FOCUS Calendar Friday, Sept. 5 - Saturday, Sept. 20

For information on weekly meetings and other upcoming events, check the Plattsburgh State Web Calendar at: <http://banweb.cc.plattsburgh.edu/banprd/plsql/events/calendar>

FRIDAY, SEPT. 5

4 p.m. ODK Meeting, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 6

9 a.m. Greek Council Goal-Setting Retreat, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 7

9 a.m. Greek Council Goal-Setting Retreat, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

3:30 p.m. Sigma Delta Tau Chapter Meetings. Angell College Center Amnesty Room.

7 p.m. Organ Recital featuring Cathryn Wilkinson, PSU Faculty Member. Dr. Wilkinson will be performing a selection of French and American works for the pipe organ. Sponsored by the Student Association, Music Department, College Foundation and the Music Council. United Methodist Church, 127 Beekman Street.

8 p.m. SA Sunday Night Film Series, presents "Bruce Almighty," sponsored by the Student Association Activities Coordination Board. Tickets: free for SA, \$2 faculty/staff and \$3 general public, available at the Angell Center Information Desk. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

MONDAY, SEPT. 8

12 p.m. CDPI TEAM Information Session, sponsored by Center for Diversity Pluralism & Inclusion. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

7:30 p.m. Marketing Club Meeting. Angell College Center Meeting Room 2.

8:30 p.m. S.A. Finance Board Meeting. Angell Center Cardinal Lounge.

9 p.m. Panhellenic Council Meeting. Angell College Center Meeting Room 1.

9 p.m. BACCHUS/GAMMA

Peer Education. Angell College Center Meeting Room 8.

10:15 p.m. S.A. Executive Council Meeting. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 9

9:30 a.m. Freshman Seminar, sponsored by Student Support Services. Angell College Center Meeting Room 8.

11 a.m. U.S. Army Recruitment Information Table, sponsored by Career & Placement Center. Angell College Center Lobby.

12 p.m. CDPI Team Information Session, sponsored by Center for Diversity Pluralism & Inclusion. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

12 p.m. Leaders of Tomorrow, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Meeting Room 8.

12:30 p.m. Learning to Learn Workshop Series, presents "Strategies for Success," sponsored by the Claude J. Clark Learning Center. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

1:30 p.m. Freshmen Seminar Class, sponsored by Student Support Services. Angell College Center Meeting Room 8.

1:30 p.m. STAR Program, sponsored by Student Support Services. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

3:45 p.m. Weekly Prayer and Worship Meeting, sponsored by InterVarsity Christian Fellowship. Angell College Center Amnesty Room.

4:30 p.m. Faculty Senate Monthly Meeting. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

8 p.m. Outing Club Meeting. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

9 p.m. WQKE Club Meeting. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

9:30 p.m. Alpha Phi Omega Weekly Meeting. Angell

College Center Amnesty Room.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 10

12 p.m. TEAM Information Session, sponsored by Center for Diversity Pluralism & Inclusion. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

4:30 p.m. New Faculty Reception, sponsored by Omicron Delta Kappa National Leadership Honor Society. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

6 p.m. Center for Womyn's Concerns Weekly Meeting. Angell College Center Meeting Room 1.

7 p.m. Students for Direct Democracy Meeting. Angell College Center Meeting Room 1.

7 p.m. Interfraternity Council Weekly Meeting. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

8 p.m. Phi Kappa Chi Rush. Angell College Center Meeting Room 8.

8 p.m. El Pueblo Board Meeting. Angell College Center Meeting Room 2.

8 p.m. Alpha Phi Omega RUSH Movie Night. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

9 p.m. Circle K Weekly Club Meeting. Angell College Center Meeting Room 5.

9 p.m. Sexual Orientation Ubiquity League (SOUL), weekly meeting. All are welcome. Angell College Center Meeting Room 1.

10:15 p.m. S.A. Senate Meetings. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 11

9:30 a.m. Freshman Seminar, sponsored by Student Support Services. Angell College Center Meeting Room 8.

11 a.m. CVPH Blood Drive, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

12:20 p.m. Women's Studies Forum. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

12:30 p.m. Executive Weekly Board Meeting, spon-

sored by SA Activities Coordination Board. Angell College Center Meeting Room 8.

1:30 p.m. Freshmen Seminar Class, sponsored by Student Support Services. Angell College Center Meeting Room 8.

7 p.m. Environmental Action Committee meeting. Angell College Center Meeting Room 6.

8 p.m. AKEBA Bi-Weekly Meeting. Angell College Center Meeting Room 1.

8 p.m. Play Reading "Fuddy Mears", sponsored by Theatre Department. Hartman Theater, Myers Fine Arts.

8 p.m. Hillel Weekly Meeting. Angell College Center Meeting Room 8.

8:30 p.m. Chinese Association Bi-Weekly Meeting. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

9:15 p.m. Organization Affairs Board Meeting, sponsored by Student Association. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 12

4 p.m. AKEBA Board Meeting. Angell College Center Meeting Room 8.

6:30 p.m. Local Sorority Council Goal Setting Dinner, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Meeting Room 1.

6:30 p.m. InterVarsity Christian Fellowship Meeting. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

8 p.m. Phi Kappa Chi Rush. Angell College Center Meeting Room 8.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 13

9 a.m. Residence Hall Council Workshop, open to all Hall Council Officers, sponsored by the Dean of Students Office. Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms.

7:30 p.m. The Forge Club Weekly Meeting. Angell College Center Amnesty Room.

8 p.m. Welcome Back Party, sponsored by El Pueblo.

Angell College Center
Cardinal Lounge.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 14

3:30 p.m. Sigma Delta Tau Chapter Meetings. Angell College Center Amnesty Room.

4 p.m. Alpha Phi Club Meeting. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

5 p.m. Alpha Epsilon Phi Chapter Meeting. Angell College Center Meeting Room 1.

6 p.m. Sigma Tau Gamma Executive Board Weekly Meeting. Angell College Center Meeting Room 2.

7 p.m. Delta Phi Epsilon Weekly Meeting. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

7 p.m. Sigma Tau Gamma Weekly Meeting. Angell College Center Amnesty Room.

8 p.m. SA Sunday Night Film Series, presents "Finding Nemo," sponsored by the Student Association Activities Coordination Board. Tickets: free for SA, \$2 faculty/staff and \$3 general public, available at the Angell Center Information Desk. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

MONDAY, SEPT. 15

7 p.m. Emerging Leaders Seminar, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Amnesty Room.

7:30 p.m. Marketing Club Meeting. Angell College Center Meeting Room 2.

7:30 p.m. 2003 Waterwalker Film Festival, sponsored by Adirondack Experience Program. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

8 p.m. African Unity Organization bi-weekly Club Meeting. Angell College Center Meeting Room 1.

8:30 p.m. S.A. Finance Board Meeting. Angell College Center Meeting Rooms 6 & 7.

9 p.m. El Pueblo Weekly Meeting. Angell College Center Amnesty Room.

9 p.m. Panhellenic Council Meeting. Angell College Center Meeting Room 1.

9 p.m. BACCHUS/GAMMA Peer Education. Angell College Center Meeting Room 8.

10:15 p.m. S.A. Executive Council Meeting, sponsored

by Student Association. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 16

9 a.m. Study Abroad Fair, sponsored by Canadian Studies, Center. Angell College Center Warren Ballroom B.

9:30 a.m. Freshman Seminar, sponsored by Student Support Services. Angell College Center Meeting Room 8.

12 p.m. Leaders of Tomorrow, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Meeting Room 8.

12:30 p.m. Learning to Learn Workshop Series, presents "Exam Preparation," sponsored by the Claude J. Clark Learning Center. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

1:30 p.m. Freshmen Seminar Class, sponsored by Student Support Services. Angell College Center Meeting Room 8.

1:30 p.m. STAR Program, sponsored by Student Support Services. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

3 p.m. Council of International Education Meeting. Angell College Center Meeting Room 1.

3:30 p.m. UUP Meeting. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

3:45 p.m. Weekly Prayer and Worship Meeting, sponsored by Intervarsity Christian Fellowship. Angell College Center Amnesty Room.

4:30 p.m. Tuesday Reflections, sponsored by Arts & Sciences. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

7 p.m. CDPI Film Series and WRAP Session, presents "Grand Canyon," sponsored by the Center for Diversity, Pluralism and Inclusion. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

8 p.m. Outing Club Meeting. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

9 p.m. WQKE Club Meeting. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

9:30 p.m. Alpha Phi Omega Weekly Meeting. Angell College Center Amnesty Room.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 17

12 p.m. Committee on Greek Affairs, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Meeting Room 1.

4 p.m. Risk Management Workshop, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

6 p.m. Center for Womyn's Concerns Weekly Meeting. Angell College Center Meeting Room 1.

7 p.m. Students for Direct Democracy Meeting. Angell College Center Meeting Room 1.

7 p.m. Interfraternity Council Weekly Meeting. Angell College Center Amnesty Room.

8 p.m. El Pueblo Board Meeting. Angell College Center Meeting Room 2.

9 p.m. Circle K Weekly Club Meeting. Angell College Center Meeting Room 5.

9 p.m. OWE Bi-Weekly Meeting. Angell College Center Meeting Room 8.

9 p.m. Sexual Orientation Ubiquity League (SOUL), weekly meeting. All are welcome! Angell College Center Meeting Room 1.

10:15 p.m. S.A. Senate Meetings. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 18

9:30 a.m. Freshman Seminar, sponsored by Student Support Services. Angell College Center Meeting Room 8.

12 p.m. Medicare Seminar for Healthcare Professionals, sponsored by College Auxiliary Services. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

12:15 p.m. Greek New Member Workshop, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Amnesty Room.

12:20 p.m. Women's Studies Forum. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

12:30 p.m. Executive Weekly Board Meeting, sponsored by SA Activities Coordination Board. Angell College Center Meeting Room 8.

1:30 p.m. Freshmen Seminar Class, sponsored by Student Support Services. Angell College Center Meeting Room 8.

4:30 p.m. Jeopardy

Challenge, -- CDPI Diversity Taskforce takes on the Center for Greek Affairs. Sponsored by the Feinberg Library and the Claude Clark Learning Center. Angell College Center Warren Ballroom A.

7 p.m. Environmental Action Committee meeting. Angell College Center Meeting Room 6.

8 p.m. Hillel Weekly Meeting. Angell College Center Meeting Room 8.

8:30 p.m. Club Caribbean Meeting. Angell College Center Amnesty Room.

9:15 p.m. Organization Affairs Board Meeting, sponsored by Student Association. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 19

12 p.m. Greek Advisors Luncheon, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

1 p.m. 2003 Family Weekend Information Tables, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Lobby.

4 p.m. AKEBA Board Meeting. Angell College Center Meeting Room 8.

5 p.m. Residence Hall Council Presidents' Meeting, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

6 p.m. Alpha Phi Omega RUSH Invitational. Angell College Center Amnesty Room.

6:30 p.m. Intervarsity Christian Fellowship Meeting. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

8 p.m. Theatre Sports Improv, Tickets: Plattsburgh State Students \$2; General \$3 available at the Angell College Center or at the door. Adult Content. Hartman Theater, Myers Fine Arts.

8 p.m. An Evening of Jazz and Gospel Music, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Flynt Commons.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 20

8 p.m. Theatre Sports Improv, Tickets available at the Angell College Desk or at the door. \$2 SA members; \$3 General. Adult Content. Hartman Theater, Myers Fine Arts.

Interim President Clark Addresses Faculty

For many faculty and staff at Plattsburgh State, the annual opening breakfast held Friday, Aug. 22 was the first opportunity they had to meet the new interim president, Dr. John Clark.

Some 400 faculty, staff and special guests were in attendance at the opening breakfast in the Warren Ballrooms, Angell College Center.

Guests included Dr. Celine Paquette, a SUNY Board of Trustees Member; Trent Trahan, president of the Plattsburgh College Foundation; Dr. Robert Garrow, chair of the College Council; and Donald Garrant, Dr. Soham Patel and Roger Burke, members of the College Council.

During his address to those attending the breakfast, Clark spoke of conversations he has had with colleagues about the spirit and soul of Plattsburgh State.

"These few examples are indicative of the moments you, our faculty and staff, have experienced here at the College. And one of the reasons I will be visiting each department this semester is to hear everyone's stories about their wonderful moments

with students."

Even though it has been tradition to speak at the opening breakfast about the achievements from the past academic year and the current status of the College, Clark took the opportunity to set out his three main goals as interim president.

First, he wants to set a positive tone on campus through shared governance and increased communication as well as involving the campus and community in college activities.

Clark's second goal as interim president is to prepare the way for the new president by establishing on-going relations between the campus, community and SUNY System Administration. He also wants to provide plans and assessments of college operations, the administrative organization and senior administrative and academic staff as well as set a model of president performance.

The third goal for Clark is to establish short-term concrete goals



Dr. John Clark introduces himself to the faculty and staff during opening breakfast.

for the College. He spoke about goals for each division of the College as well as campus-wide priorities, including a marketing plan, institutional strategic plan and capital plan.

Clark concluded his speech by praising the dedication and hard work of Plattsburgh State's faculty and staff and his excitement to be here at the College.

"To you, the faculty and staff of the College, let me assure you that our Alma Mater, Plattsburgh State, once again, is on the move."

Family Weekend Sept. 19-21

Family Weekend offers a host of events for students and their families Friday through Sunday, Sept. 19 - 21. Below is a small sample of events for the weekend. For more information on these events, or for a full list of events, contact the Dean of Students Office at 564-3824.

Friday, Sept. 19

Planetarium Shows, 6:30, 7:30 and 8:30 p.m., at the Northcountry Planetarium, Hudson Hall.

An Evening of Jazz and Gospel Music, 8 p.m., Angell College Center, Flynt Commons. This free concert features Plattsburgh State's Contemporary Jazz Combo and the Praise and Worship Team.

Saturday, Sept. 20

Spirit of Plattsburgh Cruise, 4-5:30 p.m., Dock Street, downtown Plattsburgh. Tickets are \$5 per person.

Comedy, Cake and Coffee, 8 p.m., Angell College Center, Warren Ballrooms. Comedian Vic Henley serves up good, clean fun during this free show.

Sunday, Sept. 20

Family Weekend Breakfast Buffet, 10 a.m., Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms. Enjoy a special performance by the Cardinal Singers. \$7.75 for adults, \$3.90 for children 6 years and under. Advanced reservations are required.

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Speech and Hearing to Introduce Early Intervention Services

The Speech and Hearing Center at Plattsburgh State will soon be providing services to children 0-3 years-old and their families.

Early intervention services through Plattsburgh State have been approved by the New York State Department of Health. These early intervention services include: supplemental speech/language evaluations; supplemental audiological evaluations; facility-based intervention services; parent-child groups; group developmental intervention; and family/caregiver support groups.

The Center will be contracting with the Clinton County Health Department to provide these services.

"If there is a child from birth to three-years old who needs some kind of assessment, either for speech or other developmental issue, parents first go through the county," said Dr. Roberta Wacker-Mundy, professor in communication disorders and science. "They are evaluated and then the county contracts out to different organizations, i.e. BOCES or a private practice, to work with the children. We are now on that list, and parents can choose to bring their children here."

One important distinction that the Speech and Hearing Center will have is that it will be the only local choice that provides a family-centered program.

"In addition to working with the children, we will also be teaching parents how to work with their children. And we're the only ones providing a family/care-



Wacker-Mundy

giver support group within the program," said Wacker-Mundy.

Wacker-Mundy and Tricia Maksail, a former faculty member of the Department of Communication Disorders and Science who has recently retired, spearheaded and developed the program.

"I'm absolutely excited by this. Tricia's leaving puts a little damper on it, but I'm hoping the new person will be as excited as I am," said Wacker-Mundy.

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Edward Lurie '70 Named College Council Member

Edward S. Lurie, the director of legislative services for the New York State Senate and a 1970 graduate of Plattsburgh State, has been appointed to the Plattsburgh State College Council.

Lurie, whose appointment runs through June 30, 2004, is from Niskayuna, N.Y. (near Schenectady). He will fill the unexpired term of Wayne H. Byrne, of Plattsburgh, who died in June 2002.

Byrne was vice chair of the Plattsburgh State College Council and was the longest-serving member

of any college council in SUNY. He was first appointed to the council in February 1969.

Lurie, who is a top aide to Senate Majority Leader Joseph Bruno, said he was thrilled with his appointment to the council.

"I'm excited," said Lurie. "Especially when you can go back to your alma mater and feel you can contribute something. I have wanted to do this for a long time."

Lurie said he hoped to be able to help the College more than ever "...at an interesting time with a new

president coming in."

Robert Garrow '52 G'59, chair of the College Council, said he looked forward to Lurie's active participation on the board.

"We have an immediate need to fill several vacant council seats, and we are very happy to have Ed's contributions especially since he is an alumnus of Plattsburgh," said Garrow.

Lurie transferred to Plattsburgh from Hudson Valley Community

(See Lurie, Page 3)



Dr. John Clark, interim president at Plattsburgh State, makes a few remarks during the Sept. 11 remembrance ceremony. Prior to coming to Plattsburgh State in June of this year, Clark was a senior vice president at a New York City investment banking firm, located only a couple of blocks from the World Trade Center. Several of his friends died in the catastrophic collapse of the two tall buildings. Student Association President Tim Sarrantonio also made brief remarks and the Plattsburgh State Gospel Choir performed.

Forensic Anthropologist to Speak Sept. 29

Dr. Alison Galloway, a forensic anthropologist, will speak about, "Forensic Analysis of Skeletal Trauma" in a open and free lecture hosted by Sigma Xi, the Scientific Research Society, on Monday, Sept. 29 at 6:30 p.m. in Room 202, Yokum Communications/Lecture Hall.

Galloway is professor and chair of the Anthropology Department at the University of California-Santa Cruz and is a distinguished Sigma Xi lecturer.

She also serves as a forensic consultant to the coroner's office in eight California counties where she analyzes skeletal material to develop a profile of the deceased to assist in the identification process, examines trauma found on the bones and assesses the interval between death and the recovery of the remains. With almost 20 years of experience in this field, she is increasingly called on for both criminal and civil cases.

Her more recent book, *Broken Bones: Anthropological Assessment of Blunt Force Trauma*, provides a reference for the analysis and description of blunt force injuries to bones - how they are produced, why they appear as they do and what are the most likely situations in which they occur.

Galloway's visit to Plattsburgh State is a collaborative effort between the Vermont and Plattsburgh chapters of Sigma Xi, which was founded in 1886 as a national honor society for scientists and engineers. The Plattsburgh chapter affiliated with the national organization in the 1960s.

While at Plattsburgh State, Galloway will speak to a forensic anthropology class taught by Dr. Mark Cohen, SUNY distinguished teaching professor of anthropology, and visit his laboratory prior to her public lecture.

Former Japan Supreme Court Justice to Lecture Oct. 6

A former member of the Supreme Court of Japan will speak about that country's Supreme Court system in a special lecture at Plattsburgh State on Monday, Oct. 6.

Justice Itsuo Sonobe will appear at Plattsburgh State from 1 to 2:30 p.m. in the Cardinal Lounge of the Angell College Center. His visit, which is being sponsored by the Asian Studies Committee and the Presidents' Speakers Series at the College, is free and open to the public.

Justice Sonobe served the 15-member Japanese Supreme Court for nearly 10 years. A full-time judge for 25 years in various lower courts, Justice Sonobe was appointed to the Supreme Court in 1989. The fact that he was once a law clerk while he was young assisting Supreme Court justices proves that he was destined to become an elite career judge, marked for very high positions within the judiciary.

Justice Sonobe holds a doctorate in administrative law from the University of Kyoto and taught for a total of 20 years at three universities. He combined his experiences both as judge and professor in many of his court opinions.

As a scholar, he has published eight books mostly on administrative law, co-authored five books, edited 13 others and contributed more than 80 articles to legal journals. His most recent book is a reflection of judicial decision-making and includes a collection of opinions he wrote as a Supreme Court justice.

After retiring from the bench in 1999, Justice Sonobe became a legal counselor in administrative disputes. He is a leading attorney in a major case in which banks in Tokyo sued the metropolitan government of Tokyo challenging a metropolitan corporate tax ordinance. He and his team scored the first victory at a trial court.

Justice Sonobe is a legal counsel to the Japanese Foreign Minister on legal aspects of foreign policy making. He has traveled extensively overseas comparing courts and judges in Asia, the United States and Europe.

A former visiting researcher at Colombia University and the University of Michigan, his current lecture circuit includes law schools at Columbia University, Georgetown University and the University of Colorado.

The Presidents' Speakers Series is funded by the presidents of Plattsburgh State, the Student Association and College Auxiliary Services.

The Plattsburgh State Women's Basketball Team is hosting a "Kid's Nite Out" on Saturday, Sept. 20 from 6-10 p.m. at Memorial Hall for children ages 6-14.

Children will have fun playing games, swimming, watching movies and doing arts and crafts.

The cost is \$10 per child with a special family rate of \$7 for each additional child. No advanced reservations are required. A parent or guardian must be present, however, at registration, which will be from 5:30-7 p.m. in the lobby of Memorial Hall. For more information, call Coach Cheryl Cole at 564-4147.

Presidential Search on Course

Applications and nominations for the position of president of Plattsburgh State are coming in, and the first review of candidates will begin at the end of September.

Robert Garrow, chair of the College Council and the search committee formed to select candidates, said that the search process for the new president is progressing.

The search committee, which was formed in April following the December 2002 announcement by Dr. Horace Judson that he would resign his presidency, has met several times this summer with consultants from A.T. Kearney, an executive search firm hired to assist the committee in finding the new president.

With the help of A.T. Kearney, the committee produced a profile of the College and an ad that was placed in several publications including *The Chronicle of Higher Education*. The profile and ad are also on the College's Website.

"During the month of October, the search committee will narrow the field of prospective candidates to about 10 to 12 individuals whom we will then interview at a selected off-campus site," said Garrow. "The committee will then select the top three to five semi-finalist candidates to be brought to campus in late November and early December to meet with students, faculty, staff and alumni."

The search committee will sub-

mit to the College Council the names of three candidates along with their strengths and weaknesses. The College Council will then review those names and background information prior to making its selection of candidates to recommend to the chancellor of the State University of New York.

Garrow said that following the chancellor's review of the candidates, he is hopeful that the SUNY Board of Trustees would approve a new president by January 2004 who can officially assume the duties of the position by July of next year.

"While I have stated we are on a short time frame, we will be conscientious in selecting an individual who has a proven ability to do a myriad of tasks," said Garrow. "Finding a new president is not something I take lightly nor do the members of our search committee and College Council."

In the meantime, Garrow said Dr. John Clark, interim president at Plattsburgh State, is very experienced managing the college.

"Dr. Clark is a wonderful man, full of energy and very concerned about the direction of this institution. Many students, faculty and staff have told me how engaging and knowledgeable he is about the College. I believe he has the interest of this campus at heart for the next academic year."

New Assignments for Administrators

Interim President John Clark has announced a number of new administrative assignments and organizational changes at Plattsburgh State.

William D. Laundry, the dean of students, will serve as interim vice president for student affairs and enrollment management. Laundry replaces Dr. Edward Miller, who will be in Albany for a one-year appointment in the Office of University Life at SUNY System Administration.

Richard Higgins, director of admissions, will now assume the title of associate vice president of student affairs for enrollment management in addition to his current assignment.

With the departure of John Carothers as vice president for institutional advancement, President Clark has decided that the development and alumni wings of the division will report to John Homburger, vice president for business affairs, while the communications office will report to the President.

Jacqueline Vogl, assistant director of admissions, has been named director of the Office for International Student Services. She will report to Higgins.

In another change, the Office of Financial Aid, previously aligned with Student Affairs, will now be under the supervision of Business Affairs.

Lurie (Continued from Page 1)

College in 1968.

A native of Troy, N.Y., Lurie graduated from Plattsburgh State in 1970 with a bachelor of arts degree in political science.

Following graduation and a tour of active duty as a U.S. Army reservist, Lurie joined the Republican State Committee as director of mailing operations and was subsequently promoted to administrative assistant to the state chairman.

Except for a short stint away from politics, Lurie has worked in New York state government and the political arena for more than 30 years.

He initially jumped back into state government as a legislative aide for State Senator Tarky Lombardi and has held several key positions in the New York State Assembly and Senate since then.

Those positions include assistant director of operations (Assembly); director of constituent relations (Senate); deputy director of communications (Senate);

and director of legislative services (Senate).

Lurie has also served as executive director of the New York Republican State Committee and the New York State Senate Campaign Committee and has coordinated and managed more than 40 statewide Senate elections.

Lurie's date of graduation (June 7, 1970) from Plattsburgh State was also the same day that he married his high school sweetheart, Carol. He and his wife, who died in June 1998, are the parents of two grown sons, Jason and Adam.

In addition to his degree from Plattsburgh, Lurie holds an associate degree from Hudson Valley Community College and a master's degree in communication from SUNY Albany.

Lurie will attend his first meeting of the Council on Thursday, Oct. 9, which will be held in the Alumni Conference Room, 103 Hawkins Hall, beginning at 4 p.m.

Dr. Rick Davies Writes Book on Latin American Music

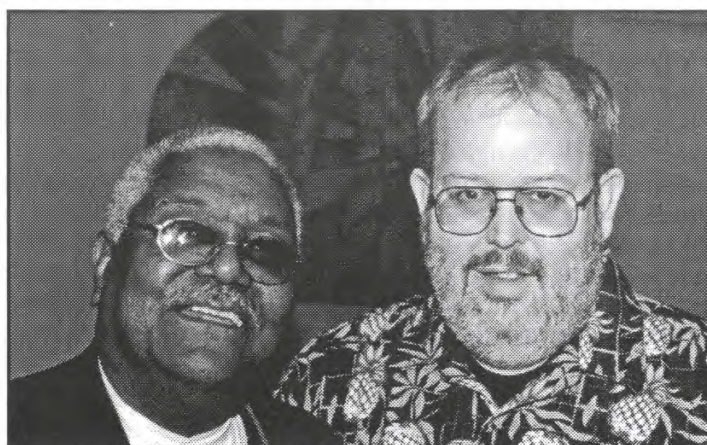
Afro-Cuban music evolved into one of the great musical traditions of the 20th century and Dr. Rick Davies, assistant professor of music, has written a book on the subject.

Trompeta: Chappottín, Chocolate, and the Afro-Cuban Trumpet Style (Scarecrow Press, 2003) is a comprehensive history of mainstream Cuban music, examining the music of all its eras from the perspective of two seminal trumpet players: Félix Chappottín and Alfredo "Chocolate" Armenteros. One or the other was present at almost every significant turning point in the stylistic development of Cuban music.

"My interest in the subject stems from my career as a professional trombonist on the New York City salsa scene," said Davies. "During my time in New York, I performed with many of the top salsa and Afro-Cuban musicians in the world over a 20-year period. Because of these connections, I decided to make Afro-Cuban music the focus of my research interests."

Davies' book provides an overview of the entire Afro-Cuban genre and its development as well as an in-depth examination of both Chappottín's and Armenteros' performance styles.

His book also examines historic recordings, including the collected Sexteto Habenero recordings from the late 1920s, two recordings by the Rodriquez ensemble, and "Camina y predne el fogon."



Davies (right) with Alfredo "Chocolate" Armenteros.

"It is exciting to have the book out," said Davies. "There is a feeling of accomplishment that after several years of intense research and writing, there is finally a product that I can hold in my hand."

"Although it's the first book I've had published, I have been involved in scores of recording projects over the years. So in a way, I'm an old hand at putting out creative projects. However, nothing I've ever done has taken the enormous amount of time and energy that this book did," said Davies.

Spotlight on faculty and staff

Dr. Anna Battigelli, professor of English, was a panelist in Washington, D.C. in August for the year-long fellowships program at the National Endowment for the Humanities. She read through and reviewed approximately 40 grant applications before meeting with other panelists in Washington to discuss the merits of individual applications. She has also served as an external reviewer for tenure and promotion decisions at two colleges this year.

Dr. James Csipak, associate professor of management and marketing, participated in the Coleman Foundation Junior Faculty Mentoring Program during a retreat

in Buena Vista, Colo. this past summer. The Coleman Foundation hosted the program for 10 outstanding junior entrepreneurship faculty. Csipak, who is not considered a junior faculty member, was invited to participate because of the new study option in entrepreneurship that the College is now offering. The retreat allowed Csipak to network and share ideas with faculty members in schools of business throughout the United States.

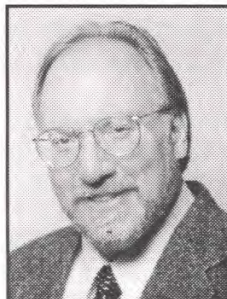
Mary Dossin, lecturer in English, had an article, "Among Friends: Effective Peer Critiquing," published in the March/April issue of *The Clearing House*, a peer reviewed journal for mid-level and

high school teachers and administrators. The article is based on a collaborative writing project done with her fall 2001 sections of ENG 305, "Composition Skills for Teachers."

Berry Matthews, associate professor of art, has installed one of her sculpture pieces, "Hot Wired," on the Schick Art Gallery sculpture deck at Skidmore College in Saratoga Springs. The sculpture is viewable from walkways outside the gallery, which is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays and 1 to 4:30 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. Her work was part of a feature article appearing in the *Saratoga Times Union*.



Battigelli



Csipak



Dossin



Matthews

Groups Now Forming

The Center for Student Health and Psychological Services is offering several groups this semester.

A two-part Stress Management Workshop, which is open to the college community, will be held Tuesdays, Sept. 23 and 30 from 2 to 3:30 p.m. in the activity room in the lower level of Memorial Hall. Topics will focus on managing stress in our busy schedule using relaxation, visualization and self-talk exercises and living a more healthy life by focusing on nutrition and exercise.

A 10-week Self Development Group, open to students only, will begin on Wednesday, Oct. 1. The time will be decided by those who sign up for the group. This group is designed to reach a broad range of students experiencing a diverse set of issues with a common theme of having the ability to benefit from peer feedback and insight. Students will be able to improve their ability to manage personal issues, expand self-awareness, build self-esteem and improve social skills.

The Coming Out Support Group, open to students only, will begin when enough students have registered. This group is designed to provide a safe and supportive environment for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgendered individuals to discuss general mental health issues.

The fourth group, the Body Image and Eating Issues Group, is also open to students only. The 10-week support group is designed to help students who are dealing with issues related to food and self-esteem. It will begin on Tuesday, Oct. 7 from 3 to 4 p.m. in the Student Health Center Conference Room 148.

For more information or to register for any of these groups, contact the Center for Student Health and Psychological Services at 564-3086. All calls are strictly confidential.

Van Safety Education Program

Students, faculty and staff planning to use a state or CAS-owned or leased van will soon be required to attend a Van Safety Education Program prior to operating one of the 15-passenger style vans.

The new course, which will detail the proper operation of the vans is being implemented this month on campus. The van's high center of gravity and its unsteadiness to make a sudden maneuver when fully loaded with passengers or cargo have contributed to the vans problems and tendency to rollover in automobile accidents nationwide.

The College has taken corrective action on the 12 vans owned by the College or CAS by removing the last seat in the van, limiting the number of occupants to 11 and by reducing the amount of cargo carried in the back.

In addition to the Van Safety Education Program, all participants will need to have authorization under the Drivers' Safety Review and Authorization Policy.

Faculty and staff members planning to use a van this semester or during spring 2004 should sign-up as soon as possible to take the Van Safety Education Program class.

A class will be held on Monday, Sept. 22 from 1:30 – 4:30 p.m. and will be open to a maximum number of 10 faculty and staff. More classes for faculty and staff are being established. See page 7 for more information on the dates and times of classes in October.

Classes for students are being coordinated through the Office of the Dean of Students.

Individuals who need to obtain approval under the Drivers' Safety Review and Authorization Policy should contact their department heads or University Police at 564-2022 for applications.

More information on the Van Safety Education Program is available by contacting Gina Doty in Maintenance and Operations at 564-5011 (Fax 5006) or gina.doty@plattsburgh.edu

Speech and Hearing (Continued from Page 1)

The Center is currently conducting a search for a new faculty member who specializes in early intervention preschool, school-aged clinical intervention and programs.

"This program is needed a lot, particularly the parent support groups. The focus is supposed to be the whole family, and that's what we're going to do through this program. We'll teach the skills to families to work with children and how they can support their development," said Wacker-Mundy.

Early identification of communication difficulties, hearing difficulties and/or difficulties in other developmental areas is important so that families and children can get the help and support they need.

"The approval from the New York State Department of Health to provide supplemental evaluation services and intervention services to children birth-to-3 and their families is very important. The fact that we are now a provider is a big deal," said Wacker-Mundy.

Family services will include both child-caregiver

intervention and caregiver education. Within a group setting, caregivers will be provided with an opportunity to learn techniques that will help them to stimulate their child's language within the context of play.

Within the play context, staff of the Center will lead the group in activities designed to promote and enrich the children's social, motor, emotional, cognitive and communication development.

In addition, caregivers will have the opportunity to attend meetings during which they will be able to interact with other caregivers in a supportive setting and receive direct instruction as to how they might better facilitate their child's development as well as cope with the stresses inherent in having a child with special needs.

The final contract between Plattsburgh State and the county is set to be signed this fall with the program beginning in January.

For more information, contact the Center at 564-2170.

FOCUS Calendar Friday, Sept. 19 - Saturday, Oct. 11

For information on weekly meetings and other upcoming events, check the Plattsburgh State Web Calendar at: <http://banweb.cc.plattsburgh.edu/banprd/plsql/events.calendar>

FRIDAY, SEPT. 19 FAMILY WEEKEND

3-8 p.m. 2003 Family Weekend registration. Angell College Center Lobby. Pick up a detailed schedule of events and any reserved tickets ordered.

3 p.m. Women's volleyball game. Cardinal Classic Tournament. Admission is free. Memorial Hall Gymnasium.

4 p.m. Men's soccer game versus SUNY New Paltz. Field House soccer field. Admission is free.

8 p.m. Theatre Sports Improv, Tickets: Plattsburgh State Students \$2; General \$3 available at the Angell College Center or at the door. Adult Content. Hartman Theater, Myers Fine Arts.

8 p.m. An Evening of Jazz and Gospel Music, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Flynt Commons.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 20

8 a.m. 2003 Family Weekend registration. Angell College Center Lobby. Pick up a detailed schedule of events and any reserved tickets ordered.

8-9:30 a.m. 2003 Family Weekend early bird coffee and danish at Java Jo's Cafe, Angell College Center.

9:30 a.m. 2003 Family Weekend 3-Mile Fun Run and Walk. Sign-up begins at 9 a.m. in the lobby of the Student Health Center.

1 p.m. Men's soccer versus SUNY Institute of Technology. Admission is free. Field House Soccer Field.

1 p.m. Men's Rugby Team versus Albany. Memorial Hall Field.

3-4:30 p.m. 2003 Family Weekend ice skating with

Burghy. Stafford Ice Arena, Field House.

8 p.m. Theatre Sports Improv, Tickets available at the Angell College Desk or at the door. \$2 SA members; \$3 General. Adult Content. Hartman Theater, Myers Fine Arts.

9 p.m. 2003 Family Weekend presents Comedy, Cake and Coffee. Special featured guest in comedian Vic Henley. Warren Ballrooms, Angell College Center.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 21

8 a.m. 2003 Family Weekend Breakfast Buffet. Featuring a special performance by the College's Cardinal Singers. Cost is \$7.75 per person, \$3.90 for children 6 years and under. Advanced reservations are required. Call the Dean of Students Office at 564-3824. Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms.

8 p.m. SA Sunday Night Film Series, presents "The Italian Job," sponsored by the Student Association Activities Coordination Board. Tickets: free for SA, \$2 faculty/staff and \$3 general public, available at the Angell Center Information Desk. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

MONDAY, SEPT. 22

12 p.m. Adirondack Guide Monument lawn and trail dedication. Outside of Beaumont Hall.

3 p.m. Greek Leadership Series Workshop, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 23

12:30 p.m. Learning to Learn Workshop Series, presents "Math Matters:

Improving Your Math Skills," sponsored by the Claude J. Clark Learning Center. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

4:30 p.m. Monthly Faculty Senate Executive Committee Meeting, sponsored by Faculty Senate. Angell College Center Meeting Room 1.

7 p.m. Movie Night, sponsored by El Pueblo. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 24

7:30 p.m. Visual Artist Series presents ceramic artist Aurore Chabot, professor at the University of Arizona. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 25

12:20 p.m. Women's Studies Forum, sponsored by Women's Studies Department. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

1 p.m. Career Development Center Fall 2003 Workshop, presents "Organizing an Effective Job Search." Kehoe Conference Room, First Floor.

7 p.m. Chamber Music "Informance", sponsored by Music Department. The Hyman and Frances Krinovitz Recital Hall.

9:15 p.m. Organization Affairs Board Meeting, sponsored by Student Association. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 26

11 a.m. U.S. Army Recruitment Information Table, sponsored by Career & Placement Center. Angell College Center Lobby 5.

4 p.m. ODK Meeting, sponsored by Omicron Delta Kappa. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 27

7:45 p.m. Rosh Hashana Dinner, sponsored by Hillel. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 28

1 p.m. Men's Rugby Team vs. Paul Smiths, sponsored by Sport & Wellness. Memorial Hall Field.

8 p.m. SA Sunday Night Film Series, presents "The Hulk," sponsored by the Student Association Activities Coordination Board. Tickets: free for SA, \$2 faculty/staff and \$3 general public, available at the Angell Center Information Desk. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

MONDAY, SEPT. 29

11 a.m. Career Development Center Fall 2003 Workshop, presents "Delivering a Dynamic Interview." Kehoe Conference Room, First Floor.

4:30 p.m. CDPI T.E.A.M. Orientation, sponsored by Center for Diversity Pluralism & Inclusion. Angell College Center Warren Ballroom B.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 30

12:30 p.m. Learning to Learn Workshop / Series, presents "Research Writing and Citing Workshop," sponsored by the Claude J. Clark Learning Center. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

3 p.m. Council on International Education meeting, sponsored by International Education. Angell College Center Meeting Room 1.

4:30 p.m. Tuesday Reflections, presents Dr. Mark Cohen hosting a group discussion on

"Classroom Teaching About Contemporary Social and Political Controversies." Sponsored by the Office of the Dean of Arts and Science. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

7 p.m. Movie Night, sponsored by El Pueblo. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 1

3 p.m. Career Development Center Fall 2003 Workshop, presents "Applying to Graduate Schools." Kehoe Conference Room, First Floor.

6:15 p.m. Plattsburgh College Night, sponsored by Admission's Office. Field House, Indoor Track/Gymnasium.

7 p.m. North Country Folks for Dean, sponsored by PSU Faculty for Howard Dean.. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

7 p.m. Disney College Program Presentation, sponsored by Career & Placement Center. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

THURSDAY, OCT. 2

10 a.m. Violence Prevention Project Information Table, sponsored by University Police. Angell College Center Lobby 6.

11 a.m. Career Development Center Fall 2003 Workshop, presents "Choosing/ Changing a Major or Career." Kehoe Conference Room, First Floor.

12:15 p.m. Greek New Member Workshop, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Amnesty Room.

12:20 p.m. Women's Studies Forum, sponsored by Women's Studies Department. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

8 p.m. Student Night of One-Acts, College Theatre Association presents origi-

nal student- written and student-directed one-act plays. Tickets: only \$2 at the door. Studio Theatre, Myers Fine Arts Building.

9:15 p.m. Organization Affairs Board Meeting, sponsored by Student Association. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

FRIDAY, OCT. 3

8 p.m. Student Night of One-Acts, Tickets only \$2 at the door only. Studio Theatre, Myers Fine Arts Building.

SATURDAY, OCT. 4

11 a.m. Women's Rugby Team vs. Potsdam, sponsored by Sport & Wellness. Memorial Hall Field.

1 p.m. Men's Rugby Team vs. Siena, sponsored by Sport & Wellness. Memorial Hall Field.

8 p.m. Student Night of One-Acts, sponsored by Theatre Department. Hartman Theater, Myers Fine Arts.

10 p.m. PSU Late Night, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms.

SUNDAY, OCT. 5

1 p.m. Memory Walk Registration, sponsored by Alzheimer's Disease Asst. Center. Field House.

8 p.m. SA Sunday Night Film Series, presents "Two Weeks Notice," sponsored by the Student Association Activities Coordination Board. Tickets: free for SA, \$2 faculty/staff and \$3 general public, available at the Angell Center Information Desk. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

MONDAY, OCT. 6

8 a.m. Genetics Workshop, sponsored by Education Department. Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms.

1 p.m. Career Development Center Fall 2003 Workshop, presents "Choosing/ Changing a Major or

Career." Kehoe Conference Room, First Floor.

TUESDAY, OCT. 7

10 a.m. Violence Prevention Project Information Table, sponsored by University Police. Angell College Center Lobby 4.

11 a.m. CVPB Blood Drive, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

11:30 a.m. UUP Luncheon, sponsored by UUP. Angell College Center Meeting Room 1.

12:15 p.m. Students For Direct Democracy Speaker Series. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

4 p.m. Guest Speaker, sponsored by Anthropology Department. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

4:30 p.m. Faculty Senate Monthly Meeting, sponsored by Faculty Senate. Angell College Center Warren Ballroom B.

7 p.m. Movie Night, sponsored by El Pueblo. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

7:30 p.m. Gary Randorf presentation, sponsored by Adirondack Experience Program. The Hyman and Frances Krinovitz Recital Hall.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 8

11 a.m. Career Development Center Fall 2003 Workshop, presents "Creating Resumes & Cover Letters." Kehoe Conference Room, First Floor.

7 p.m. EOP Graduate School Informational Forum, sponsored by Educational Opportunity Program. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

7:30 p.m. Visual Artist Series presents painter Sophie Jodoin, sponsored by Art Department. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

THURSDAY, OCT. 9

10 a.m. Violence Prevention Project Information Table, sponsored by University Police. Angell College Center Lobby 4.

11 a.m. Depression Screening Information Table, sponsored by Student Health Services. Angell College Center Lobby 5.

12:15 p.m. Greek New Member Workshop, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Amnesty Room.

12:20 p.m. Women's Studies Forum, sponsored by Women's Studies Department. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

8 p.m. Play Reading "The Director", sponsored by Theatre Department. Hartman Theater, Myers Fine Arts.

9:15 p.m. Organization Affairs Board Meeting, sponsored by Student Association. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

SATURDAY, OCT. 11

11 a.m. Women's Rugby Team vs. Clarkson, sponsored by Sport & Wellness. Memorial Hall Field.

Van Safety Education Program Classes in October

Tuesday, Oct. 14
12 noon to 3 p.m.

Thursday, Oct. 16
3 to 6 p.m.

Monday, Oct. 20
12 noon to 3 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 29
12 noon to 3 p.m.

For more information, call Gina Doty at 564-5011.

Distance Learning Enrollment Skyrockets

In 1998, Plattsburgh State first offered a unique educational opportunity for those students not able to come to campus. Distance learning was born. Through the technology of interactive video conferencing, students could take a course from Plattsburgh State while sitting in a classroom at Jefferson Community College in Watertown, N.Y., among other sites. In the inaugural year, 14 courses were taken by 381 students.

Since then, another form of distance learning was introduced -- Web-based courses. Through the SUNY Learning Network, students can now take courses online.

"The SUNY Learning Network is a consortium of 55 campuses," said Anna Liem, interim coordinator for distance learning. "The network provides a centralized service and website along with a helpline for students and faculty."

Students can take an online course from any of the participating campuses. They sign on through the SUNY Learning Network then register at the institution providing the course.

For example, a student at SUNY Potsdam wants to take a course that is not offered on his or her campus but is offered at Plattsburgh State through the network online. The student would sign up on the network and register for one course at Plattsburgh State. He or she would have to get a "permission to attend form" from Potsdam to make sure the course will count toward his or her degree program. Most universities have a cap as to how many of these credits can be transferred.

"Distance Learning also helps those students who live a distance away and are unable to come to campus. It is useful to students who may want to take a course in the summer or winter sessions when they are away from campus," said Kathy McClelland, interim director of lifelong learning.

Faculty interested in teaching a Web-based course must first take three one-day training sessions through the SUNY Learning Network the semester before the course goes on the Web.

"It's a lot of work from the faculty perspective," said McClelland. "The hard part is the training workshops and the work to develop the course for online. Once they get the basic training down, they keep coming back to offer their course online."

Dr. Ray Guydosh, associate professor of management and marketing, said that he enjoys the unique

Distance Learning Courses		
	# Courses	Enrollment*
1998 (Video Conferencing)	14	381
1999 (Video Conferencing)	14	244
2000		
Video Conferencing	19	532
Web-Based	18	307
		839
2001		
Video Conferencing	15	445
Web-Based	42	580
		1,025
2002		
Video Conferencing	18	522
Web-Based	56	825
		1,347
2003		
Video Conferencing	21	496
Web-Based	64	912
		1,408
*Estimates		

challenges an online course presents to both the faculty and the students.

"I believe that Web-based courses give a professor a closer contact with a greater percentage of the students in a class. Every student needs to be an active participant -- there's no way for a student to hide. I think that an online class requires more of a student. I usually tell students that an online course requires the ability to motivate yourself, to work independently, to be a good reader and to read and follow directions. Any particular student probably gets *more* out of the online class than he or she would personally get from a traditional setting."

The first department to really take full advantage of the video conferencing was nursing, food and nutrition.

"The nursing program set the whole tone of using video conferencing," said McClelland. "The department took this opportunity and ran. They were the pioneers on campus for distance learning. Education has also developed quite a lot of courses through video conferencing and the Web."

Departments offering Web-based courses include hotel, restaurant and tourism management, marketing and management, anthropology, mathematics and women's studies among others.

The instructor of a web-based course posts assignments, questions for discussion and even administers tests online.

"Your learning and using a different style of teaching. It's a growing trend," said McClelland.

Visual Artist Series Presents Ceramic Artist Aurore Chabot

Aurore Chabot, ceramic artist and professor at the University of Arizona at Tucson, will be the first speaker in the Visual Artist Series this semester. Chabot, who has had over 50 solo and group exhibitions at galleries and museums throughout the United States, will speak on Wednesday, Sept. 24 at 7: 30 p.m. in the Cardinal Lounge, Angell College Center.

Chabot received her master of fine arts degree from the University of Colorado at Boulder in 1981. She has received numerous awards and honors, including fellowships from the National Endowment for the Arts and

Western States Arts Federation as well as an Artist-in-Residence Grant at the University of Australia, Adelaide.

She has served as an artist-in-residence and a visiting artist at over 25 universities and art centers in the U.S. and Canada. Chabot has produced two commissioned works, which include *A Vortex in Time and Space* (a handmade ceramic tile mural) and *Cellular Synchronicity* (seven handmade ceramic tile murals).

The presentation, sponsored by the Student Association and the Campus Arts Council, is free and open to the public.

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Institute for Ethics in Public Life Welcomes New Fellows

The Institute for Ethics in Public Life welcomed three new fellows this semester: Dr. Deborah Altamirano, assistant professor of anthropology; Dr. Shakuntala Rao, assistant professor of communication; and Dr. Jim Rice, associate professor of history.

Altamirano will spend her time at the Institute exploring the ethics of individual and collective action in resistance and social movements.

"I find the 'ethics' of resistance to be extremely complex and wrought with contradiction," said Altamirano. "Members of resistance movements often define themselves, in part, by distancing themselves from the unethical, violent and inhuman acts of those against whom they resist. Yet, the act of 'resistance' often requires that activist, in pursuit of their 'just cause,' breach their own sense of ethical behavior to realize their military and, in some cases, personal objectives."

By updating and expanding her own knowledge on ethics in anthropology, Altamirano will be able to expand her teaching components on ethics and communicate more effectively the substantive ethical debates within the discipline to her students.

"I will be able to incorporate discussion of ethics into my courses on comparative cultures, women in cross-cultural perspective, colonialism, people and cultures of Latin America, and in my junior and advanced research seminars in Latin American Studies," said Altamirano.



Dr. Jim Rice, Dr. Debra Altamirano and Dr. Shakuntala Rao are this semester's fellows at the Institute for Ethics in Public Life.

She said she is enjoying spending time talking with colleagues whom she might not otherwise have the opportunity to sit around a table and discuss issues of ethics.

"I really enjoy it," Altamirano said. "It's like being in graduate school. I find the readings invade my daily life, and I find myself thinking about how I can relate what I learn to my students in the classroom. We also

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Results from Latest Alumni Survey Shows Graduates Doing Well

Plattsburgh State wants to hear what its alumni are saying about their education, and the results from the latest alumni survey are in.

More than 300 graduates participated in responding to the survey conducted last spring.

When asked to evaluate their educational experience at Plattsburgh State, 93 percent of the respondents indicated they were satisfied or very satisfied with the classroom instruction they received. A little more than 87 percent were satisfied or very satisfied with the

individual assistance received by the instructors. And almost 82 percent of the alumni were satisfied or very satisfied with the Plattsburgh State's course offerings.

Nearly 90 percent of the respondents indicated that they were satisfied to very satisfied with the library and research services offered at Plattsburgh State.

The graduates were also asked about skills assessment. More than 97 percent indicated that their Plattsburgh State experience assisted them in attaining skills to communi-

cate effectively, while about the same percentage said that the College assisted them in gaining skills to analyze and solve problems. About 97 percent also said that Plattsburgh State helped them attain skills in finding information and in attaining quantitative skills and abilities.

Almost 90 percent of the respondents indicated that their experience at Plattsburgh State assisted them in understanding and pursuing diversity.

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Papuan Tribal Art Exhibition Opens Friday, Oct. 3

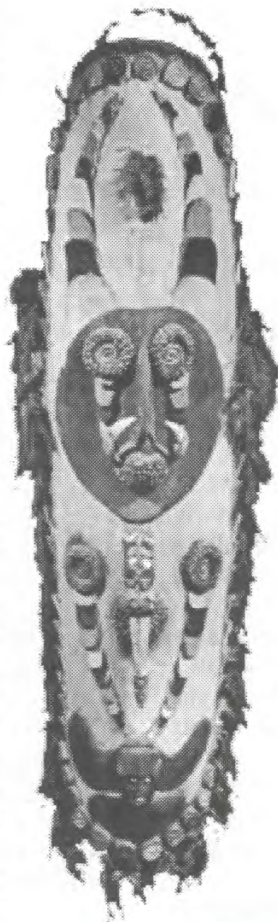
An exhibition of more than 60 works of tribal art from the Sepik River Valley of Papua New Guinea will open Friday, Oct. 3 in the Burke Gallery of the Myers Fine Arts Building at Plattsburgh State.

WE SHOUT TO MAKE IT SILENT, a collection of Papuan art owned and curated by Marc Assayag of Tookalook Native Arts in Dollard des Ormeaux, Quebec, Canada, will run through Jan. 18, 2004.

Now owned by Assayag, the Papuan art collection dates to the first half of the 20th century and was first assembled by Bruce D. Lawes in New Guinea between 1955 and 1969. The collection was then purchased and held for some 30 years by Mr. and Mrs. W. Nicholson until it was subsequently acquired by Tookalook Native Arts earlier this year.

Papua, New Guinea is part of what is commonly called Melanesia - a place left unexplored until the mid 20th century. In this area, more than 700 tribal groups evolved, each with a distinct and separate system of beliefs. While generalities naturally exist, each group adhered to its own system handed down by oral tradition and unique images.

Edward Brohel, director of the Art Museum, said the collection of Papuan art



offers a broad range of styles and functions, which gives the viewer an immersion into the culture and special objects used by the people of Papua, New Guinea.

"The exhibition contains ancestral spirit masks of endless variation; yam masks to celebrate fertility and bountiful harvests and large gable masks, which, like gargoyles, adorned the men's houses where they served an apotropaic purpose," said Brohel.

"Carved hooks served utilitarian purposes from holding food to ritualistic trophy hangers. Large shields, found in Papua in great variety, carried clan designs to strike fear in an enemy. And flute stoppers, figures of mermaids, ancestor totems and a Great Spirit image relate the cosmology to the individual."

The Burke Gallery will be open daily 12 to 4 p.m. except holidays and from Dec. 24, 2003 to Jan. 1, 2004. The exhibition is being shown for an extensive period to permit full exposure for the Plattsburgh State students and visiting public.

For more information on the exhibit or the Plattsburgh State Art Museum, visit the Museum's Webpage at <http://organizations.plattsburgh.edu/museum> or contact Edward Brohel, Art Museum director, at (518) 564-2178.

Two Presentations on Oct. 7

Two speakers will be making separate presentations on Tuesday, Oct. 7.

Deborah McLaren will be speaking on the dangers of ecotourism at 4:30 p.m. in the Cardinal Lounge. McLaren will be in the area as part of a book tour to promote the second edition of her book, *Rethinking Tourism and Ecotourism: The Paving of Paradise and What You Can Do To Stop It*.

The book is one of the more aggressive critiques of tourism and ecotourism directed toward a popular audience. McLaren is the director of Indigenous Tourism Rights International, a Minnesota-based organization. Her talk is co-sponsored by the Departments of Geography and Anthropology.

Also on Tuesday, Oct. 7, landscape and nature photographer **Gary Randorf** will be giving a lecture at 7:30 p.m. in the Hyman and Frances Krinovitz Recital Hall, Hawkins Hall. He is the first speaker in the Adventure Lecture Series, sponsored by the Adirondack Experience.

Randorf is an environmentalist, naturalist and photographer and was employed by the Adirondack Council for 25 years, serving the first 11 years as its founding executive director and subsequently as senior counselor.

His work has been published in several books and magazines, and a new collection of his work, *The Adirondacks -- Wild Island of Hope*, was published in June.



Families enjoyed visiting Plattsburgh State during Family Weekend 2003. Above, families line up for the farewell breakfast buffet in the Warren Ballrooms, Angell College Center. The breakfast, hosted by William Laundry, dean of students and interim vice president for student affairs and enrollment management, included a musical performance by the Cardinal Singers, directed by JoEllen Miano, associate professor and chair of the Music Department.

Budget, Planning Focus of Meeting

The budget, Middle States and the strategic plan were the topics of a campus-wide meeting Thursday, Sept. 25.

John Homburger, vice president for business affairs, told those in attendance that the on-going constraints and pressures on the 2003-04 budget have been somewhat reduced because the faculty and staff have worked hard this past fiscal year to handle budget cuts while minimizing any damage to its educational mission.

"We've been working very hard," he said during the presentation. "And, I would like to thank all of you for doing a marvelous job in helping us."

He then outline several action strategies for this year. These include a modified freeze on all vacant positions and a review of the positions before a search is authorized; closely monitoring of overtime work; continued restrictions on travel; maximization of utility savings; and a reduction in student payroll.

Dr. Robert Davis, professor of communication disorders and science, also gave an update on Middle States. Referring to a chart of the status and timeline for completion of each recommendation by Middle States, Davis said "The College has made substantial progress during this process."

Dr. Robert Golden, provost and vice president for academic affairs, told the group that the strategic planning process is underway.

Golden said that a committee has completed its work on the framework for developing a strategic plan and a separate committee will be formed soon with the charge of creating a new strategic plan for the campus.

Dean Taylor Steps Down

Dr. Betty Taylor, dean of professional studies, has taken a leave of absence from Plattsburgh State.

Taylor, who has served as dean since September 1999, said her decision to step down effective Oct. 1 was due to health-related reasons.

Dr. Robert Golden, provost and vice president for academic affairs, said Taylor has served admirably during the past four years in the face of a number of very important and demanding challenges.

"Betty has helped keep our professional programs moving forward while we have undertaken the arduous tasks associated with the accreditation procedures for a number of our programs, include nursing, counselor education, and teacher education," said Golden. "I want to thank her for her service as dean and look forward to her continued service to Plattsburgh State."

Dr. Gretchen Beebe, associate dean of professional studies, has been named interim dean through June 30, 2004. Beebe was planning to retire in December. However, Provost Golden said, "Dr. Beebe has graciously extended her service to Plattsburgh State and will serve as interim dean through the rest of the academic year."

Golden said that he will begin to meet with Interim President John Clark, faculty and other members of the campus community to discuss the responsibilities associated with the position of dean of professional studies and the search process to find a permanent dean.



Taylor

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get mentoring from Tom (Dr. Tom Moran, director of the institute), Beth (Dr. Beth Dixon, associate professor of psychology) and Doug (Dr. Doug Skopp, distinguished teaching professor of history)."

Rao is working on two projects while a fellow at the Institute. The first project is to develop an extensive reading list for her mass communication ethics course including an in-depth study of various philosophers who have written about ethics. She also hopes to develop a set of case studies from the media that address specific moral and ethical dilemmas that media practitioners face on a daily basis.

"I was interested in being a fellow at the institute because I wanted to work on my class, media ethics," said Rao. "I want to strengthen my background in ethics. I also received a grant to work on a paper on journalism ethics in three different countries. I thought the institute would be the perfect place to work on my class and the paper."

Rao said that her primary interest is to study Aristotle, Thomas Hobbes, John Stuart Mill and Immanuel Kant.

"I have been teaching the media ethics course for approximately 10 years," said Rao. "During this time, there has been little opportunity and time for me to thoroughly revise and update much of the class materials. My time at the institute will allow me to do this."

Rice's primary scholarly interests are teaching and writing about Native American people.

"This is a highly politized field," said Rice. "It's better to have an ethical foundation. During my time as a fellow, I would like to acquire the conceptual tools that would make it possible to more firmly ground my teaching and writing about Indians in an ethical, rather than a political context."

Rice teaches a course on the Iroquois and would like to develop a second course on Native American history while at the institute. Rice said that his students will benefit on an even deeper level than the details of subject matter.

"When taught well, history forces students to reckon with the inescapable foreignness of the past, and thus to step outside the provincial boundaries of their own time and place. The apparently straightforward historical task of telling explanatory stories actually rests upon an inherently ethical foundation fashioned out of the relationships between writer and subject, reader and text, and student and teacher," said Rice.

"That is why history is worth doing in the first place, and that is why I wish to improve the ethical foundation upon which my teaching and writing rest. I want to honestly say that I have a rationale for how I approach this subject, especially for a subject that evokes such passions," said Rice.

Dr. Vincent Carey is Co-Editor of New Book on Early Modern Ireland

Working with a colleague in Humboldt University in Berlin, Germany, Dr. Vincent Carey has co-edited a book titled, *Taking Sides? Colonial and Confessional Mentalities in Early Modern Ireland*.

The book was launched in August at a symposium in honor of Professor Karl S. Bottigheimer at the Glucksman Ireland House at New York University.

"It was a nice event at NYU," said Carey. "The Glucksman Ireland House is right on Washington Square and was a wonderful place for the event."

Taking Sides, which was written in honor of Bottigheimer and his contribution to Irish studies, is a collection of essays that examines the impact of the dramatic shifts in culture, society and politics on people in Ireland in the early modern period.

Underpinning much of this change was the process whereby Ireland was finally militarily conquered and extensive lands were colonized by newcomers. Equally significant were the ideological and religious changes that accompanied the conquest.

The book explores the various ways in which people on the island of Ireland made sense of their world in an



era this political and social upheaval.

The essays were written by an international team of contributors from major universities all over the world including Austria, England, Germany, Canada, Ireland and the United States.

"I'm very proud of the book because it is an international collaboration. People in my field who I respect were willing to contribute," Carey said. "The co-editor is a colleague from Humboldt. We've been corresponding for years about our work. While working on the book, we met only once in a four-year period. We worked through email and on the phone."

Carey is working on several other projects, including another book. Next summer he is slated to give two seminars sponsored by the National Endowment for the Humanities. The first presentation will be at the University of Maryland at College Park in late June/early July. The subject will be religious persecution in early modern Europe. The second presentation will be at the Folger Shakespeare Library in Washington, D.C. in mid-July. He will be giving a seminar to high school teachers on teaching Shakespeare.

"I will be speaking on the subject of religious toleration, and will be part of a program that will also include the staging of the *Merchant of Venice* at the Folger Theatre," said Carey.

Spotlight

on faculty and staff

Dr. Sylvie Beaudreau, associate professor of history, presented two public lectures during the Battle of Plattsburgh Commemoration Weekend, Sept. 13 and 14. She spoke on the subject of "The War of 1812: The Big Picture." Her talk was also the focus of an article in the *Press Republican* on Sunday, Sept. 14. In it, she discussed the many questions people have regarding the significance of the Battle of Plattsburgh in the larger context of the War of 1812. What were the causes of the War of 1812? Who were the belligerents? Was there any significant regional or sectional opposition to this war? How was the war perceived in the Champlain Valley. Who "won" the war? And finally, what is the last-

ing legacy of this "forgotten war?"

Dr. Anthony D'Aristotile, professor of mathematics, recently published the paper "Brownian Motion and the Classical Groups" in the *Monograph Series* of the Institute of Mathematical Statistics. This article, co-authored with Professor Charles Newman (Courant Institute of Mathematical Sciences) and Professor Persi Diaconis (Stanford University), was an invited paper and was the entire subject of the principal invited address of the annual meeting of the Institute of Mathematical Statistics at Banff, Canada in August 2002.

D'Aristotile also refereed a paper this past year for the mathematics journal *Probability Theory and Related Fields*. During the summer of 2003 (and also in the summer of 2002), D'Aristotile was invited to teach a course in probability at Stanford University. The lectures

were also broadcast live on the Internet and streamlined directly to the computers of students who were employees at a number of Silicon Valley companies, including IBM, Loral Space Systems, Analog Devices, Applied Materials, Lawrence Livermore Labs, Microsoft, and Lockheed Martin. D'Aristotile recently received an invitation to teach this course during the summer of 2004.



Beaudreau



D'Aristotile



Pater

Dr. Ewa Pater, assistant professor of chemistry, presented a poster titled "Using EQCM technique to measure the Nernst potential in the presence of a mixed potential" at the Regional American Chemical Society meeting in Saratoga Springs last June.

Tom Chapin to Perform at Homecoming Concert

Tom Chapin '66, will return to Plattsburgh State Saturday, Oct. 18 for a 2 p.m. concert in the E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium, Hawkins Hall as part of Plattsburgh State's Homecoming Weekend.

A gifted entertainer and songwriter, Chapin has gained widespread critical and popular acclaim for his recordings on the Sony Wonder label.

His work has been nominated for several Grammy nominations and has garnered plenty of awards. Chapin also narrates a series of children's books to benefit the Humane Society of the United States. One of his narrations, "Mama Don't Allow," won a 2002 Grammy Award for Best Spoken Word Album for Children.

Tickets are \$10 for alumni; \$12 for non-alumni adults; and \$5 for children under 12.

"We're so delighted that Tom will be returning to campus for a very special concert," said Rose Anderson '95, director of alumni affairs. "His show will be a wonderful event for alumni, students and the Plattsburgh community."

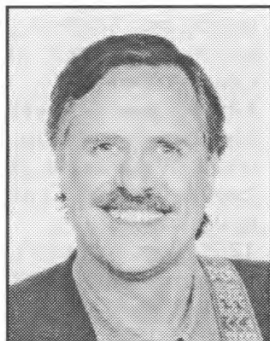
Homecoming Weekend at Plattsburgh State, Oct. 17 - 19, is a time for everyone -- students, alumni, faculty, staff and community members -- to come together with their families to celebrate the "Plattsburgh spirit."

Anderson said alumni returning to their alma mater come to reconnect with their former classmates, faculty and staff members, students and the Plattsburgh community.

"Alumni often remark how special their memories of Plattsburgh are," said Anderson. "These fond memories are due in large part to all their experiences here in Plattsburgh, both on and off campus. It only makes sense to invite the entire community to join in the celebrations of this special weekend and to enjoy what I like to call the 'Plattsburgh spirit.'"

In addition to Chapin's concert, a number of other activities are planned for Homecoming Weekend.

Faculty members are invited to cruise Lake Champlain with alumni, faculty emeriti and former



Chapin

Plattsburgh State President Charles Warren and his wife, Nancy. Stop by the Alumni Affairs Office in 113 Hawkins Hall to sign up for the cruise.

Homecoming Weekend festivities begin on Friday, Oct. 17 and run throughout the weekend. Events open to the general public include:

Friday, Oct. 17:

8 - 9 p.m. Prism Concert -- E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium, Hawkins Hall. Always a favorite event at Homecoming, the concert features performances by the Jazz Ensemble, the College Chorale, the Cardinal Singers, the Sinfonia, the Symphonic Band and small ensembles. Tickets are \$5 each at the door.

8 p.m. (and Saturday Oct. 18) Pendragon Theatre presents "Arms and the Man" -- Hartman Theatre, Myers Fine Arts Building. Tickets are: \$8 general; \$5 alumni/faculty/staff and non-Plattsburgh State students; and \$1 Plattsburgh State students. Tickets available at the door.

9 p.m. Fabulous Fireworks -- Field behind Memorial Hall sponsored by the Student Association.

Saturday, Oct. 18:

2 - 4 p.m. Tom Chapin Concert -- E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium, Hawkins Hall.

8 p.m. Sweet Adeline's Concert -- E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium, Hawkins Hall. Special guests include Minor Adjustments and Overture. Tickets: \$10 for adults, \$8 for seniors and students. Available at the door.

Sunday, Oct. 19:

9 a.m. Gospel Choir -- Krinovitz Recital Hall, Hawkins Hall. The 70-member college gospel choir will provide energy and inspiration for Sunday morning.

10 a.m. History of Plattsburgh State -- Krinovitz Recital Hall, Hawkins Hall. Dr. Douglas Skopp, SUNY distinguished teaching professor of history, will present a lecture on our history.

Contact the Office of Alumni Affairs for more information about Homecoming Weekend at 564-2090 or you can find it on the Web at <http://www.plattsburgh.edu/alumni/homecoming.php>.

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Commencing in the fall 2000 semester, the Office of Alumni Affairs, the Office for Institutional Advancement, the Career Development Center and the Office of Institutional Research cooperated to develop and implement a series of alumni surveys.

During the spring 2003 semester, the Office of Alumni Affairs surveyed graduates from December 2001, May 2002 and Summer 2002. The Office of Institutional Research then entered the data and generated a report from the surveys.

More than 66 percent of the respondents were employed full-time with nearly 13 percent employed on a part-time basis. Another 12+ percent were continuing

their education. This means that almost 92 percent of the respondents were either employed or continuing their education.

Nearly 44 percent of the respondents reported that they were earning more than \$30,000 a year and 56 percent indicated that their position was closely related to their Plattsburgh State major.

Of those continuing their education, 70 percent were in various Master's programs while the remaining graduates were in a variety of specialized Master programs ranging from Master's of Business Administration to Master's of Social Work, and doctorate programs from JD to Ph.D.

FOCUS Calendar

Friday, Oct. 3 - Thursday, Oct. 23

For information on weekly meetings and other upcoming events, check the Plattsburgh State Web Calendar at: <http://banweb.cc.plattsburgh.edu/banprd/plsql/events.calendar>

FRIDAY, OCT. 3

8 p.m. Student Night of One-Acts, Tickets only \$2 at the door only. Studio Theatre, Myers Fine Arts Building.

SATURDAY, OCT. 4

11 a.m. Women's Rugby Team vs. Potsdam, sponsored by Sport & Wellness. Memorial Hall Field.

1 p.m. Men's Rugby Team vs. Siena, sponsored by Sport & Wellness. Memorial Hall Field.

8 p.m. Student Night of One-Acts, sponsored by Theatre Department. Hartman Theater, Myers Fine Arts.

10 p.m. PSU Late Night, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms.

SUNDAY, OCT. 5

12 p.m. Memory Walk Registration, sponsored by Alzheimer's Disease Asst. Center. Walk itself begins at 1 p.m. Field House.

8 p.m. SA Sunday Night Film Series, presents "Two Weeks Notice," sponsored by the Student Association Activities Coordination Board. Tickets: free for SA, \$2 faculty/staff and \$3 general public, available at the Angell Center Information Desk. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

MONDAY, OCT. 6

8 a.m. Genetics Workshop, sponsored by Education Department. Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms.

10 a.m. Violence Prevention Project Info Table, sponsored by University Police. Angell College Center Lobby 3.

1 p.m. Career Development Center Fall 2003 Workshop, presents "Choosing/ Changing a Major or Career." Kehoe Conference Room, First Floor.

7 p.m. SOULfood Movie Productions, sponsored by SOUL. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

7 p.m. Break Yom Kippur Fast, sponsored by Hillel. Angell College Center Meeting Room 6.

TUESDAY, OCT. 7

10 a.m. Violence Prevention Project Information Table, sponsored by University Police. Angell College Center.

11 a.m. CVPB Blood Drive, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

11:30 a.m. UUP Luncheon, sponsored by UUP. Angell Center Meeting Room 1.

12:15 p.m. Students For Direct Democracy Speaker Series. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

4 p.m. Guest Speaker Deborah McLaren sponsored by Geography and Anthropology Departments. Angell Center Cardinal Lounge.

4:30 p.m. Faculty Senate Monthly Meeting, sponsored by Faculty Senate. Angell College Center Warren Ballroom B.

7 p.m. Movie Night, sponsored by El Pueblo. Angell Center Cardinal Lounge.

7:30 p.m. Gary Randorf presentation, sponsored by Adirondack Experience Program. The Hyman and Frances Krinovitz Recital Hall.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 8

10 a.m. Violence Prevention Project Info Table, sponsored by University Police. Angell College Center Lobby 3.

11 a.m. Career Development Center Fall 2003 Workshop, presents "Creating Resumes & Cover Letters." Kehoe Conference Room, First Floor.

7 p.m. EOP Graduate School Informational Forum, sponsored by Educational Opportunity Program. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

7:30 p.m. Visual Artist Series presents painter Sophie Jodoin, sponsored by Art Department. Angell College

Center Cardinal Lounge.

THURSDAY, OCT. 9

11 a.m. Depression Screening Information Table, sponsored by Student Health Services. Angell College Center Lobby 5.

12:15 p.m. Greek New Member Workshop, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Amnesty Room.

12:20 p.m. Women's Studies Forum, sponsored by Women's Studies Department. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

4 p.m. College Council Meeting, Alumni Conference Room, Hawkins Hall.

8 p.m. Play Reading "The Director", sponsored by Theatre Department. Hartman Theater, Myers Fine Arts.

8 p.m. Anti Hate Crime Candlelight Vigil/Speakout, sponsored by SOUL. Angell College Center Amite Plaza.

9:15 p.m. Organization Affairs Board Meeting, sponsored by Student Association. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

SATURDAY, OCT. 11

11 a.m. Women's Rugby Team vs. Clarkson, sponsored by Sport & Wellness. Memorial Hall Field.

TUESDAY, OCT. 14

8 a.m. Senior Citizen

Enrichment Day, sponsored by College Auxiliary Services. Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 15

10 a.m. Violence Prevention Project Info Table, sponsored by University Police. Angell College Center Lobby 3.

2 p.m. Career Development Center Fall 2003 Workshop, presents "Organizing an Effective Job Search." Kehoe Conference Room, First Floor.

7:30 p.m. Violence Prevention Project Film Series, sponsored by University Police. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

9 p.m. Leadership Certification Program, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Warren Ballroom B.

THURSDAY, OCT. 16

8 a.m. Teacher Diversity Conference, sponsored by College Auxiliary Services. Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms.

11 a.m. U.S. Marine Corps Information Table, sponsored by Career & Placement Center. Angell College Center Lobby 1.

11 a.m. U.S. Army Recruitment Information Table, sponsored by Career & Placement Center. Angell College Center Lobby 5.

12:20 p.m. Women's Studies Forum, sponsored by Wo-

College Council to Meet Oct. 9

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the College Council will be on Thursday, Oct. 9 at 4 p.m. in the Mowry Conference Room, Redcay Hall. In addition to regular reports, Council members will listen to a presentation on the Canadian Studies Program. They will also discuss the status of the presidential search process and the latest information concerning this fall's enrollment of new freshmen and transfer students among a number of items on the agenda.

The College Council's meeting is open to the campus community and the public.

men's Studies Department. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

2 p.m. Teacher Diversity Conference, sponsored by College Auxiliary Services. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge and Plattsburgh Room.

9:15 p.m. Organization Affairs Board Meeting, sponsored by Student Association. Angell College Center Amnesty Room.

FRIDAY, OCT. 17

8 a.m. Teacher Diversity Conference, sponsored by College Auxiliary Services. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge, Plattsburgh Room and Warren Ballrooms.

5 p.m. Sports Hall of Fame Induction of Neil Sesselman '63. Memorial Hall Lobby.

8 p.m. Pendragon Theatre Residency, "Arms & the Man" performed by Pendragon Theatre of Saranac Lake. Student tickets \$2 available at the Angell College Center or at the door. Other tickets available at the door for General (\$10) and Faculty/Staff/Seniors (\$7). Hartman Theater, Myers Fine Arts.

8 p.m. Prism Concert, sponsored by the Music Department. Tickets: \$1 SA, \$5 general admission, on sale at the Angell College Center Desk. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

9 p.m. Homecoming 2003 presents Fabulous Fireworks sponsored by the Student Association. Field behind Memorial Hall.

SATURDAY, OCT. 18

1 p.m. Men's soccer game vs. Brockport. Soccer field, Field House.

2 p.m. Homecoming 2003 presents Tom Chapin '66 in concert. Tickets are \$10 for alumni; \$12 for non-alumni adults; and \$5 for children under 12.

8 p.m. Pendragon Theatre Residency, "Arms & the Man" Tickets at door. \$2 students; \$7 faculty/staff/seniors/non-Plattsburgh State students;

\$10 general. Hartman Theater, Myers Fine Arts.

8 p.m. Sweet Adeline's sponsored by Homecoming 2003. Special guests include Minor Adjustments and Overture. Tickets are \$10 adults/\$8 seniors and students. E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium, Hawkins Hall.

SUNDAY, OCT. 19

8 a.m. Homecoming 2003 farewell breakfast send-off. Tickets are \$10 and available in the Alumni Affairs Office, 113 Hawkins Hall. Hawkins Hall Patio.

8 p.m. SA Sunday Night Film Series, presents "Legally Blonde -- Red, White and Blonde," sponsored by the Student Association Activities Coordination Board. Tickets: free for SA, \$2 faculty/staff and \$3 general public, available at the Angell Center Information Desk. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

MONDAY, OCT. 20

10 a.m. Violence Prevention Project Info Table, sponsored by University Police. Angell College Center Lobby 3.

7 p.m. North Country Folks for Howard Dean, sponsored by Community Event. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

8 p.m. Judge Mitch Crane: Risk Management, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms.

TUESDAY, OCT. 21

10 a.m. Flu Shots, sponsored by Student Health Services. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

10 a.m. Save a Life Tour, sponsored by SA Activities Coordination Board. Angell College Center Warren Ballroom A.

10 a.m. Career Development Center Fall 2003 Workshop, presents "Delivering a Dynamic Interview." Kehoe Conference Room, First Floor.

3 p.m. Council on International Education meeting, sponsored by International Education. Angell College

Center Meeting Room 1.

4:30 p.m. Tuesday Reflections, sponsored by Arts & Sciences. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

7:30 p.m. Visual Artist Series, sponsored by Art Department. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

7:30 p.m. Black Poetry Day Program, sponsored by the Black Poetry Day Committee. The Hyman and Frances Krinovitz Recital Hall.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 22

10 a.m. Violence Prevention Project Info Table, sponsored by University Police. Angell College Center Lobby 3.

12 p.m. Direct Marketing Speaker Series, sponsored by Marketing Association. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

7:30 p.m. Violence Prevention Project Film Series, sponsored by University Police. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

7:30 p.m. Black Poetry Day Program, sponsored by the Black Poetry Day Committee. The Hyman and Frances Krinovitz Recital Hall.

THURSDAY, OCT. 23

12:15 p.m. Greek New Member Workshop, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Am-

nesty Room.

12:20 p.m. Women's Studies Forum, sponsored by Women's Studies Department. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

3 p.m. Career Development Center Fall 2003 Workshop, presents "Creating Resumes & Cover Letters." Kehoe Conference Room, First Floor.

7 p.m. Ciesinski Workshop, sponsored by Music Department. The Hyman and Frances Krinovitz Recital Hall.

7 p.m. CDPI Film Series and WRAP Session, presents "Splendor in the Grass," sponsored by the Center for Diversity, Pluralism and Inclusion. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

8 p.m. Play Reading "Time and the Conways", Free Admission, all welcome. Play Reading of "Time and the Conways" written by J.B. Priestley. Hartman Theater, Myers Fine Arts.

9:15 p.m. Organization Affairs Board Meeting, sponsored by Student Association. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

Correction: Distance Learning at Plattsburgh State started in 1993, not 1998. We are sorry for the confusion this may have caused in the last issue of *FOCUS*.

National Depression Screening Day Oct. 9

The Center for Student Health and Psychological Services is sponsoring events coinciding with National Depression Screening Day Thursday, Oct. 9.

From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., an information table will be set up in the Angell College Center Lobby. A counselor will be available for questions.

A free, anonymous depression screening and presentation will be held at 7 p.m. in the Student Health Center Building, conference room 148.

This is an opportunity to take a self-test for depression and to talk with a mental health professional. The program will include an informational presentation, video and referral to a treatment center if indicated.

Refreshments will be provided. For more information, contact the center at 564-3086.

Honor Students Enhance Landscape Around Sculpture

A group of 13 Plattsburgh State students participating in an Honor's Program seminar last fall proposed an innovative, alternative landscape on campus to represent their learning and to enhance the setting surrounding the outdoor monumental sculpture, "Adirondack Guide" by North Country artist Brower Hatcher, located between Yokum and Beaumont halls. With the project now complete, a dedication ceremony was held at the sculpture on Monday, Sept. 22.

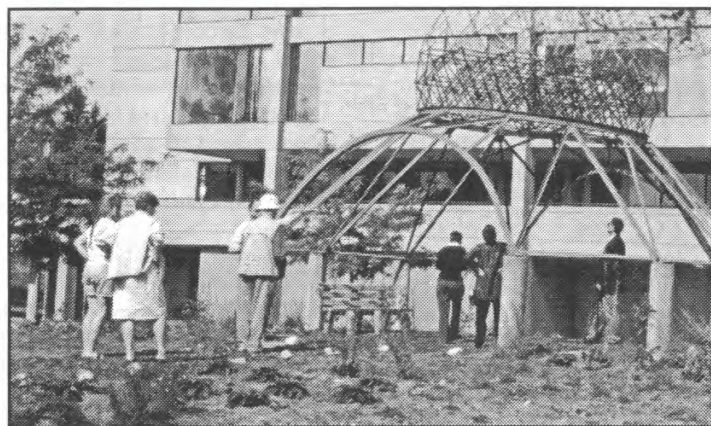
Students from "Rethinking the American Lawn: A Seminar in Urban Ecology," coordinated by Dr. William J. Ehmann, assistant to the vice president for academic affairs and associate professor of biology, learned about the ecology, history and cultural context of lawns. The students then developed a "freedom lawn" plan for a half-acre site previously managed as an ordinary lawn.

Central to the students' vision was a more ecologically appropriate landscape that showcases wildflowers and grasses native to the Adirondack-Lake Champlain region. They also wanted to increase public interaction with Plattsburgh State's Sculpture Park and demonstrate what can happen when students, faculty, staff, friends and neighbors work together on 21st century ideas.

"Seminar participants were encouraged to think critically about the environmental choices having a lawn represents and were challenged to evaluate post-modern alternative landscapes," said Ehmann. "Special features of this seminar included hands-on field work quantifying the biodiversity of lawns, using computer software for landscape design and taking local tours of ecologically-balanced yards."

Each student in the class investigated two native plant species that would thrive under the site conditions of dry, sandy soil and full sun. After comparing notes, students compiled a list of native perennials they would like to see planted at the site.

The class vision called for a walkway under the sculpture surrounded by a mix of colorful, low-maintenance



Following the dedication ceremony, attendees took a stroll on the trail under the "Adirondack Guide."

nance native plants. The walkway was created to encourage the artist's wish for people to explore the sculpture from below. Throughout the summer, the students along with Ehmann worked on the landscaping project. The last step of spreading woodchips onto the trail leading through the sculpture was completed earlier this semester.

The dedication ceremony held Sept. 22 featured remarks by Dr. Robert Golden, provost and vice president for academic affairs; Edward Brohel, director of the Art Museum; and Ian Ater, a student in the honor's class. The speeches were followed by a ribbon cutting to open the trail and the unveiling of a permanent plaque.

"Although outdoor monuments and plaques representing individuals and organizations exist, this project may be the first at Plattsburgh State to embody the vision of a class," said Ehmann. "It reflects student-led inquiry into a cultural issue and the creation of a collective, sustainable response. Moreover, it is linked to an existing artistic tribute to Adirondack thinking."

The project was supported by a campus beautification grant from College Auxiliary Services, Inc.

Faculty Emeriti Enjoy Reception at Valcour

More than 100 faculty emeriti of Plattsburgh State and guests as well as widowed spouses of former faculty came together for a reception at the Valcour Educational Conference Center Sept. 18. The reception was hosted by Interim President John Clark and the College Council.

"It was wonderful to see so many former faculty members," said Clark. "I really enjoyed meeting and talking with people I've heard so much about, even in the short time I've been on campus. No matter how long they've been away from the classroom, they still have a deep sense of commitment to Plattsburgh State."

Clark added, "Faculty and staff are the heart and soul of the campus, and the efforts of this group of people have made Plattsburgh State the very special place it is today."



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Canadian Studies to Establish CONNECT Program with UVM

Plattsburgh State and the University of Vermont have formally announced the establishment of a joint nationally focused program to improve the study of Canada in the United States.

The program, titled "CONNECT," will be funded through a three-year \$300,000 (CAD.) grant from the Academic Relations Division of the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade for the Government of Canada.

In announcing the joint program at a news conference Oct. 15 at Plattsburgh State, Interim President John Clark said the program would improve and build upon the existing educational programs in the United States for the study of Canada by training and informing more educators of America's neighbor to the North.

"Canada is America's closest ally - geographically, culturally and politically," said Clark. "It is important that we continue to have a better understanding of the social, economic and historical realities that have shaped our close relationship."

Dr. J. André Senécal, the director of the Canadian Studies Program at UVM, said, "The Canadian Studies Program at the University of Vermont is pleased, in partnership with the Center for the Study of Canada at Plattsburgh State, to launch CONNECT. This initiative will successfully contribute toward the institutionalization of Canadian Studies in American higher education."

Dr. Christopher Kirkey, director of Plattsburgh



Drs. Christopher Kirkey and J. André Senécal announce the CONNECT Program at a news conference.

State's Center for the Study of Canada, was also very pleased with the joint effort.

"CONNECT is an innovative and progressive program we are very proud to offer. It provides a comprehensive approach on how to identify, recruit, orient and mentor new and emerging teachers and researchers for the Canadian Studies community in the U.S."

The innovative program will focus on four key challenges: identification, recruitment, orientation and mentoring of new American Canadianists in the U.S.

(See Canadian Studies, Page 3)

Students Serve Community Through Scholarship Program

Community service has always been an important part of the mission at Plattsburgh State. The College has a strong commitment to the ideals and values associated with providing service to others.

To accomplish this objective, the Center for Service Learning and Volunteerism offers many quality programs for students to engage in community service on campus and in the community. Students have the opportunity to participate in such programs as the Plattsburgh Student Service Corps (see story, page 5).

This semester, 15 freshmen and transfer students were awarded Community Service Scholarships. This program awards \$2,500 scholarships to new students in exchange for service in the community. Funding for the scholarships comes from gifts given to the Plattsburgh College Foundation to support the Community Scholarship Program.

Recipients of these scholarships are required to engage in 10 hours of community service per week throughout the academic year. In return for their service, they receive

tuition, room and board assistance.

Carolee Smith, director of development, said, "We are grateful to the many businesses and individuals who give to this wonderful program. We also like to thank Cori Matthews for running a top-quality program."

This year's 15 scholarship recipients are performing community service at numerous agencies in Plattsburgh.

Heather Belair is from South Glens Falls, N.Y., and is majoring in

(See Community Service, Page 5)

SBDC Accredited By National Association

The North Country Small Business Development Center (SBDC) at Plattsburgh State, part of a statewide network of 23 regional business assistance centers, has again met or exceeded all quality standards in a review by a national accreditation team. Representatives of the Association of Small Business Development Centers (ASBDC) peer review team included state directors from the North Carolina, New Mexico and Nebraska SBDC programs.

The review that lasted the better part of a week consisted of visits and evaluations of operations. The review team in its final report found the NYS/SBDC staff to be well experienced and dedicated to their work.

The team members commented, "The state director, lead center staff, and field network center directors are highly motivated and committed. There is a clear focus on customers and a commitment to learning."

When he wrote to congratulate the New York staff for achieving this important milestone, Max Summers, chair of the ASBDC Accreditation Committee stated, "Although it is a long process, it is designed to drive improvements in management systems and processes in our respective SBDCs and provide consistency throughout the national network."

Delena (Dee) Clark, director of the North Country

SBDC noted, "The aspect of the review that gives us the most pleasure is the positive evaluation of the business value we deliver each day to the small business community as reported by our clients."

State University of New York presidents and deans throughout New York State expressed pride and pleasure in having a small business development center housed on their campus.

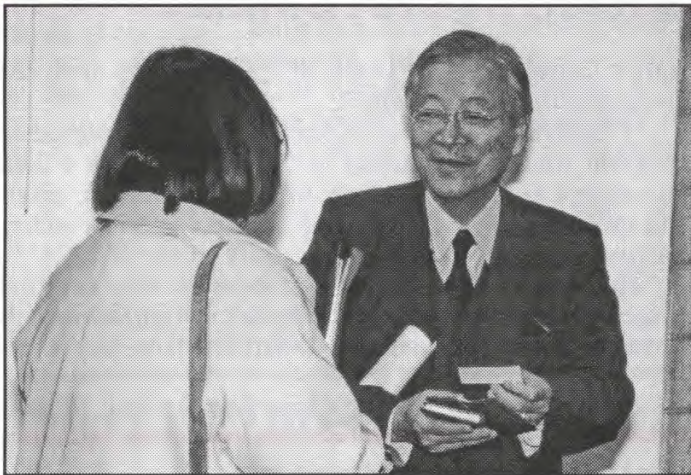
At Plattsburgh State, a copy of the accreditation certification is proudly displayed for clients and resource partners to view.

The North Country SBDC works one-on-one, in a confidential setting, with small business owners to help them expand their existing businesses by exploring avenues for funding, marketing and management.

With emerging companies, the counselors work with new entrepreneurs to help them successfully start a business. The SBDC provides these services at no cost to clients.

Since its inception in 1984, The North Country SBDC has worked with 4,310 clients, helping them invest \$30,383,364 amount in their businesses, creating and saving 1,293 jobs.

For more information contact: Dee Clark, SBDC director, at (518) 564-2042 or by visiting the SBDC website at <http://www.northcountrysbdcc.org>.



Justice Itsuo Sonobe (above, talking with Dr. Nancy Church) recently spoke during an afternoon lecture at Plattsburgh State. His visit was sponsored by the Asian Studies Committee and the Presidents' Speakers Series. Justice Sonobe served the 15-member Japanese Supreme Court for nearly 10 years. A full-time judge for 25 years in various lower courts, he was appointed to the Supreme Court in 1989, retiring from the bench in 1999. He holds a doctorate in administrative law from the University of Kyoto and taught for a total of 20 years at three universities. As a scholar, he has published eight books, co-authored five books, edited 13 others and contributed more than 80 articles to legal journals. His most recent book is a reflection of judicial decision-making and includes a collection of opinions he wrote as a Supreme Court justice.

Rural Health Care Network Receives Grant From the NYS Department of Health

The Eastern Adirondack Health Care Network (EAHCN) has received a New York State Health Department "Real Choice Systems Change Grant" in the amount of \$215,959 to implement a two-year project aimed at enhancing the quality and accessibility of the present array of home and community based long term supports available to individuals with disabilities and long term chronic illnesses in the tri-county area.

The grant's objectives are based on the Olmstead Decision, which seeks to promote the least restrictive and highest quality of life for individuals requiring long-term care regardless of age or disability.

The care providers, parents and other members of the community are sometimes unaware of options in the vast field of long term care. Consequently, at times the best fit services may not be known to the individuals.

The primary outcome of this grant will be sustainable improvements in the region's infrastructure responsible for long-term care referral and placement and quality of such services as pertains to the placements.

The project director is Dr. Taher Zandi, distinguished service professor of psychology, and the project coordinator is Angela Ruck, health care access coordinator for EAHCN. The EAHCN through the Research Foundation of the State University of New York is a program coordinated by the Center for Intergenerational Studies and Programs at Plattsburgh State. The non-profit network is composed of health care providers distributed throughout Clinton, Essex and Franklin counties in northeastern New York State.

Sesselman Inducted into Hall of Fame

Neil E. Sesselman, a 1963 alumnus and former athlete at Plattsburgh State, will be inducted into the Cardinal Sports Hall of Fame, Friday, Oct. 17 at 5 p.m. The ceremony will be held in the Sports Hall of Fame Exhibit Area in the Lobby of Memorial Hall and is open to the public.



Sesselman '63

Kristian Doorey, head men's baseball coach at Plattsburgh State, will introduce Sesselman during the induction ceremony.

Sesselman came to Plattsburgh State in 1959 with the idea of becoming a teacher. His athletic talent led him to participate on the men's baseball team for four years and men's basketball team for two years during his sophomore and junior years while attending Plattsburgh State.

He is remembered for playing second base for the Cardinals and leading the team in the rankings in several categories. He had a career high of 42 runs and 57 hits, and he established single-season records of 22 runs, 29 hits, four triples, 45 stolen bases, 17 walks, and a .475 batting average. He had a slugging percentage of .738 and an on-base percentage of .595.

In 1962, Sesselman was named the team's Most Valuable Player and was additionally honored by being named to the NAIA All-American Second Team and the SUNYAC Second Team.

Following graduation in 1963, Sesselman was hired by the Hadley-Luzerne Central School District as an elementary teacher. For the next 32 years, he taught children in the fifth grade through eighth grades until his retirement in 1995.

Sesselman and his wife, Beverly, are the proud parents of seven children and numerous grandchildren and great grandchildren, many who live near their Lake Luzerne home.

Black Poetry Day Oct. 22

In celebration of Black Poetry Day at Plattsburgh State, Dr. Honoree Fanonne Jeffers, assistant professor of English at the University of Oklahoma and author of *Outlandish Blues* (Wesleyan Univ. Press) and *The Gospel of Barbecue* (Kent State Univ. Press), will read from her poetry on Wednesday, October 22 at 7:30 p.m., in the Krinovitz Recital Hall, Hawkins Hall.



Jeffers

Jeffers has won several awards for her book, *The Gospel of Barbecue*, which won the 1999 Stan and Tom Wick Prize for Poetry and was the finalist for the 2001 Paterson Poetry. Her latest work, *Outlandish Blues*, was recently published as part of the Wesleyan Poetry Series.

She has won the 2002 Julia Peterkin Award for Poetry, and awards from the Barbara Deming Memorial Fund and the Rona Jaffe Foundation. Jeffers' work recently has appeared in *Black Issues Book Review*, *Black Warrior Review*, *Brilliant Corners: A Journal of Jazz and Literature*, *Bum Rush the Page: A Def Poetry Jam* (Crown, 2001), *Callaloo*, *The Massachusetts Review*, *The Kenyon Review* and *These Hands I Know: Writing About the African American Family* (Sarabande 2002). She is at work on a third book of poetry and her first book of collected fiction.

This program is sponsored by College Auxiliary Services, The President's Office, Student Activities Office/Multicultural Affairs, The Office of the Dean of Arts and Science, O.W.E. (Women of Ethnicity), The Writers' Institute of New York and the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Commission. In addition, this event was funded in part by Poets & Writers, Inc., through a grant it has received from the New York State Council on the Arts.

Canadian Studies (Continued from Page 1)

The first step, which will be spearheaded by the Canadian Studies Program at UVM, will be to identify new, emerging and potential American Canadianists in the United States. These individuals will be advanced graduate students, new doctorates and faculty members who have recently entered the profession on the study of Canada.

Plattsburgh State's Center for the Study of Canada will then contact academics identified through the UVM study. A survey questionnaire will be sent to all new Canadianists, focusing on teaching and research interests, professional development experiences, scholarship, successful grantsmanship and institutional affiliations.

The American scholars will also receive an initial mailing providing them with a full array of information on Canadian studies centers/institutes/programs, associations and organizations and major publishing outlets such as the *American Review of Canadian Studies* and the *International Journal of Canadian Studies*.

Their names and related data will then be forward-

ed to the Academic Relations Office of the Canadian Embassy in Washington, the applicable Canadian Consulate, the Association for Canadian Studies in the United States, the applicable regional Canadian Studies association, the International Council for Canadian Studies, and where appropriate, the American Council for Quebec Studies for regular updates.

The new Canadianists will be invited to participate in an annual weeklong summer Canada-focused orientation seminar. The training seminar, to be convened in Ottawa, will focus on the social, economic and political realities of contemporary Canada and the history and culture of Canada.

Plattsburgh State and UVM will also jointly implement a permanent mentoring program for the new American Canadianists. They will receive regular updates of scholarly developments in their respective Canadian studies discipline, as well as announcements of grant opportunities, seminars, symposiums and colloquiums.

UP Officer Robert Light Attends Training to Become Bicycle Instructor

University Police Officer Robert Light was selected to attend the Community Bicycle Safety for Police Officer training held in Albany, N.Y., this month.

The training was presented by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA). There are three of these training workshops held nationwide -- Albany, N.Y., Kansas City, Kansas and California. Light will be one of about 100 officers to be trained nationwide.

"I was selected to attend this training from thousands of applicants," said Light. "This is a big deal for me, especially with the two-year anniversary of my accident."

In October, 2001, Light was involved in a serious car/bicycle accident. The total time he was "out of uniform" was one year and 10 days.

The training by the NHTSA will qualify Light as a certified instructor on Community Bicycle Safety for Police. He will train police officers across the state and nation about bicycle safety, how to improve bicycle safety and bicycle enforcement.

In 1995, Light was certified by the Department of Criminal Justice Services and the Law Enforcement Bicycle Association. Also in 1995, he became a member of the International Police Mountain Bike Association as a police cyclist.

In 1977, Light became a certified police instructor



Light (left) watches a participant traverse steps in the Police Bicycle School this past summer.

and conducted the first Police Bicycle School in the Plattsburgh area. The school continued to train officers in 1998, 2000, 2001 and the fifth school in 2003. He has trained approximately 60 officers in police bicycle patrol through this school.

Light has conducted numerous bicycle safety education programs in local elementary school in the North Country and has ridden in three 108-mile fundraising rides for missing and exploited children.

Spotlight

on faculty and staff

Dennis Aprill, full time Lecturer in the English Department, was recently presented the New York State Council of Trout Unlimited's highest writing award: Professional Communicator of the Year. Ron Urban, president of New York State TU, said of Aprill's writing: "We are proud to recognize someone who has championed the conservation ideals of Trout Unlimited and who has done so in an amazingly effective manner." In addition to teaching English and journalism classes at Plattsburgh State, Aprill is the outdoors columnist for the Press-Republican. He received his award Sept. 20 at Lake Placid, N.Y.

Dr. Mark Cohen, distinguished teaching professor,

authored a paper, "Agriculture, Origins of," which was published in the *Encyclopedia of Food and Culture, Volume 1: Acceptance to Food Politics*.

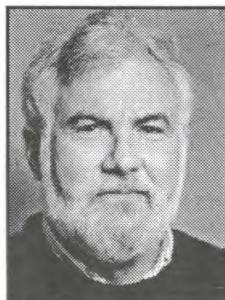
Dr. Jose deOndarza, association professor of biological sciences, had his paper, "G-Protein Modulators Alter the Swimming Behavior and Calcium Influx of *Paramecium tetraurelia*," published in the *Journal of Eukaryot Microbiology*.

Dr. Mohamed Djerdjouri, professor in the School of Business and Economics, recently had his grant proposal application to the American Liaison Office for University Cooperation in Development titled, "Enhancing Administrative, Teaching and

Scholarship Capacity of Higher Education in Business and Management in Algeria," selected for funding. The main objectives of the partnership project are to develop scientific research collaboration programs and to establish a partnership with colleagues at the Institut National de Commerce of Algiers to promote modern, global business curricula and to exchange pedagogical and administrative methods and experiences. The projected total cost of the two-year project is \$329,000. The funds will be used to lay the ground for a long-lasting cooperation between the two institutions. This is the first institutional collaboration endeavor in Africa or the Middle East for the School of Business and Economics.



Aprill



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Plattsburgh Student Service Corps Kicks Off Inaugural Year

The Center for Service Learning and Volunteerism at Plattsburgh State has announced the formation of the Plattsburgh Student Service Corps.

This new service program was designed to engage 50 Plattsburgh State students in 15,000 hours of community service (300 hours per member) in local, not-for-profit agencies and elementary schools. It was also created to help ease the blow of the possible loss of the Clinton County AmeriCorps program, which is still without funding for the current program year.

Cori Matthews, director of the Center for Service Learning and Volunteerism, is very excited about the new service program and how everyone at the college was able to work together to get the program off the ground so quickly.

"We are extremely lucky and thankful that college administrators were able to help secure the finances and provide the necessary support to create this new service initiative," said Matthews.

The Service Corps, which is managed by Shawn McElwain, provides Plattsburgh State students with various community service opportunities and professional development experiences to make their time at Plattsburgh State more meaningful.

According to McElwain, "The creation of the Service Corps is yet another way Plattsburgh State will be able to stand out among other colleges and universities. It opens up a new world of experiences and opportunities for our students while providing some much needed financial assistance for college."

Plattsburgh Student Service Corps members serve as classroom tutors and aides, mentors, volunteer recruiters, after-school program assistants, and in vari-

ous other activities. Some members will also be trained as "America Reads & Counts" tutors and will work in our partner elementary schools.

Service Corps members serve at various not-for-profit sites and local elementary schools. The current sites include Morrisonville Elementary, Cumberland Head Elementary, St. John's Elementary, St. Peter's Elementary, Bailey Avenue Elementary, Red Cross, C.V.P.H., Y.M.C.A., Sibley Child Care Center, J.C.E.O., John Collins Center, Literacy Volunteers of the North Country, T.B.I. Center, Salvation Army, Girl Scouts of the North Country, Behavioral Health Services North, and National Alliance for the Mentally Ill.

Site supervisors have nothing but praise for the students who participate in the Service Corps program.

Dr. Mary Lacombe of St. Peter's School in Plattsburgh, said she has been impressed with the students who volunteer at the kindergarten through sixth grade school.

"It is these sorts of young volunteers that inspire our students and contribute so much to a community such as St. Peter's School," said Lacombe.

The composition of the membership in the Service Corps consists of 15 Community Service Scholars (See story, Page 1) and 35 general members.

McElwain said there are only a few requirements a person must meet in order to apply to the Service Corps.

"The Plattsburgh Student Service Corps is an opportunity for members to build their resume, acquire new skills and have fun while giving back to the community they live in," said McElwain.

For more information, please contact the Center for Service Learning and Volunteerism at 518-564-4848.

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elementary education. Her scholarship is made possible by Evergreen Bank.

Amanda Bulris is a transfer student from Plattsburgh, N.Y. She is majoring in social work and her scholarship is made possible by Crossborder Development Corp.

Joli Butler, a special education major, is a transfer student from Dexter, N.Y. Her scholarship is made possible by International Paper.

Jaclyn Curtis is from South Glens Falls, N.Y. She's a freshman biology student, and her scholarship is made possible by Crowley Foods.

Megan DiPasquale, a mathematics education major from Warrensburg, N.Y., is a freshman. Her scholarship is being sponsored by Eastern Technical Services.

Kirsten Dowd is a transfer student majoring in child family services. From Mohawk, N.Y., Dowd's scholarship is funded through a gift from Nine Platt Hospitality Group.

Lauren Epsenhardt, a freshman from Stuart, Fla., is majoring in speech pathology, and her scholarship is made possible by Sodexo Campus Services.

Michael Gatzendorfer is a freshman communications major from Ballston Spa, N.Y. His scholarship is made possible by Paquette Insurance.

A freshman from Canton, N.Y., Brittany Liggio is an undeclared major. Her scholarship is made possible by Empire State Coca-Cola.

Kristine Linnihan, a freshman from Minneapolis, Minn., is another undeclared major. Her scholarship is made possible by PARC.

Victoria Poirier is from Tupper Lake, N.Y. Her scholarship is made possible by Empire State Coca-Cola.

Yvette Rada is a computer science major from Dix Hills, N.Y. Her scholarship is made possible by HSBC.

Julie Schiffmacher, from Fairport, N.Y., is an elementary education major. Her scholarship is made possible by the Edith Knapp Endowment.

Mark Singiser is a freshman from Albany, N.Y. His scholarship is made possible by Tracy Trombley Construction.

Ashley Wallis, a freshman in psychology, is from Camden, N.Y. Her scholarship is made possible by Plattsburgh Press Republican.

College Auxiliary Services is sponsoring five scholarships of \$500 each. Ashley Kelley from Camden, N.Y., Alexine Leon from Queens, N.Y., Seon Davis from Brooklyn, N.Y., Whitney Aubin from Morrisonville, N.Y., and Sara Remillard from Plattsburgh are the scholarship recipients.

FOCUS Calendar Friday, Oct. 17 - Tuesday, Nov. 4

For information on weekly meetings and other upcoming events, check the Plattsburgh State Web Calendar at: <http://banweb.cc.plattsburgh.edu/banprd/plsql/events.calendar>

FRIDAY, OCT. 17

8 a.m. Teacher Diversity Conference, sponsored by College Auxiliary Services. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge, Plattsburgh Room and Warren Ballrooms.

5 p.m. Sports Hall of Fame Induction of Neil Sesselman '63. Memorial Hall Lobby.

8 p.m. Pendragon Theatre presents "Arms & the Man" performed by Pendragon Theatre of Saranac Lake. Student tickets \$2 available at the Angell College Center or at the door. Other tickets available at the door for General (\$10) and Faculty/Staff/Seniors (\$7). Hartman Theatre, Myers Fine Arts Building. Hartman Theater, Myers Fine Arts.

8 p.m. Prism Concert, sponsored by the Music Department. Tickets: \$1 SA, \$5 general admission, on sale at the Angell College Center Desk. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

9 p.m. Homecoming 2003 presents Fabulous Fireworks sponsored by the Student Association. Field behind Memorial Hall.

SATURDAY, OCT. 18

1 p.m. Men's soccer game vs. Brockport. Soccer field, Field House.

2 p.m. Homecoming 2003 presents Tom Chapin '66 in concert. Tickets are \$10 for alumni; \$12 for non-alumni adults; and \$5 for children under 12.

8 p.m. Pendragon Theatre presents "Arms & the Man" Tickets at door. \$2 students; \$7 faculty/staff/seniors/non-Plattsburgh State students; \$10 general. Hartman Theater, Myers Fine Arts.

8 p.m. Sweet Adeline's sponsored by Homecoming 2003. Special guests include Minor Adjustments and Overture. Tickets are \$10 adults/\$8 seniors and students. E. Glenn

Giltz Auditorium, Hawkins Hall.

SUNDAY, OCT. 19

8 a.m. Homecoming 2003 farewell breakfast send-off. Tickets are \$10 and available in the Alumni Affairs Office, 113 Hawkins Hall. Hawkins Hall Patio.

8 p.m. SA Sunday Night Film Series, presents "Legally Blonde -- Red, White and Blonde," sponsored by the Student Association Activities Coordination Board. Tickets: free for SA, \$2 faculty/staff and \$3 general public, available at the Angell Center Information Desk. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

MONDAY, OCT. 20

10 a.m. Violence Prevention Project Info Table, sponsored by University Police. Angell College Center Lobby 3.

12 p.m. "A Week of Empathy" Faculty Training, sponsored by Center for Diversity Pluralism & Inclusion. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

7 p.m. North Country Folks for Howard Dean, sponsored by Community Event. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

8 p.m. Judge Mitch Crane: Risk Management, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms.

TUESDAY, OCT. 21

10 a.m. Flu Shots, sponsored by Student Health Services. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

10 a.m. Save a Life Tour, sponsored by SA Activities Coordination Board. Angell College Center Warren Ballroom A.

10 a.m. Career Development Center Fall 2003 Workshop, presents "Delivering a Dynamic Interview." Kehoe

Conference Room, First Floor.

12:30 p.m. A Week of Empathy DTF Panel Discussion, entitled "Living with Disabilities." Sponsored by the Center for Diversity, Pluralism and Inclusion. The Hyman and Frances Krinovitz Recital Hall.

3 p.m. Council on International Education meeting, sponsored by International Education. Angell College Center Meeting Room 1.

4:30 p.m. Tuesday Reflections, sponsored by Arts & Sciences. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

7:30 p.m. Visual Artist Series, sponsored by Art Department. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

7:30 p.m. Black Poetry Day Program, sponsored by the Black Poetry Day Committee. The Hyman and Frances Krinovitz Recital Hall.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 22

10 a.m. Violence Prevention Project Info Table, sponsored by University Police. Angell College Center Lobby 3.

12 p.m. Direct Marketing Speaker Series, sponsored by Marketing Association. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

7:30 p.m. Violence Prevention Project Film Series, sponsored by University Police. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

7:30 p.m. Black Poetry Day Program, sponsored by the Black Poetry Day Committee. The Hyman and Frances Krinovitz Recital Hall.

THURSDAY, OCT. 23

12:15 p.m. Greek New Member Workshop, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Amnesty Room.

12:20 p.m. Women's Studies Forum, sponsored by Women's Studies Department.

Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

3 p.m. Career Development Center Fall 2003 Workshop, presents "Creating Resumes & Cover Letters." Kehoe Conference Room, First Floor.

6 p.m. World Affairs Forum: Update on Iraq, sponsored by Political Science Department. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

7 p.m. Video Showing, -- Chiappas Media Project on Fair Trade Coffee, sponsored by the Environmental Action Committee. Free of charge, donations to the Project will be accepted at the door. Yokum Hall 201.

7 p.m. Ciesinski Workshop, sponsored by Music Department. The Hyman and Frances Krinovitz Recital Hall.

7 p.m. CDPI Film Series and WRAP Session, presents "Splendor in the Grass," sponsored by the Center for Diversity, Pluralism and Inclusion. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

8 p.m. Play Reading "Time and the Conways", Free Admission, all welcome. Play Reading of "Time and the Conways" written by J.B. Priestley. Hartman Theater, Myers Fine Arts.

9:15 p.m. Organization Affairs Board Meeting, sponsored by Student Association. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

FRIDAY, OCT. 24

10 a.m. Counselor Education Admissions Day, sponsored by Counselor Education. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

12 p.m. A Week of Empathy Sign Language Workshop, sponsored by Center for Diversity Pluralism & Inclusion. The Hyman and Frances Krinovitz Recital Hall.

3 p.m. A Week of Empathy

Sign Language Film and WRAP, presents "A World Without Bodies." Sponsored by the Center for Diversity, Pluralism and Inclusion. The Hyman and Frances Krinovitz Recital Hall.

4 p.m. ODK Meeting, sponsored by Omicron Delta Kappa. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

SATURDAY, OCT. 25

9 a.m. Defensive Driving Course, sponsored by the Student Association. Sign-up at the SA Office, 2nd Floor Angell College Center, 564-3200. Angell College Center Amnesty Room.

10 a.m. WQKE Starve-a-Thon, sponsored by WQKE. Angell College Center Amite Plaza.

2 p.m. A Week of Empathy Film Series and WRAP Session, presents "In the Company of Men." Sponsored by the Center for Diversity, Pluralism and Inclusion. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

5 p.m. A Week of Empathy Film Series and WRAP Session, presents "Scent of a Woman." Sponsored by the Center for Diversity, Pluralism and Inclusion. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

7 p.m. OWE Auction, sponsored by the Organization of Women of Ethnicity. Tickets: \$2 SA, \$3 public, on sale at the Angell College Center Desk. Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms.

8 p.m. Sax Quartet Performance, Dan Gordon & Friends. Music professor Daniel Gordon performs with local artists. Concert Free and open to all. The Hyman and Frances Krinovitz Recital Hall.

10 p.m. After Auction Party, sponsored by O.W.E. - the Organization of Women of Ethnicity. Tickets, \$3 SA, \$4 public, on sale at the Angell College Center Desk. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

10 p.m. Toys for Tots Dance, sponsored by TAWS. Tickets: \$2 general admission or bring

a toy. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

SUNDAY, OCT. 26

10 a.m. WQKE Starve-a-Thon, sponsored by WQKE. Angell College Center Amite Plaza.

7 p.m. Monthly Reflections Meeting, sponsored by Plattsburgh Student Service Corps. Angell College Center Warren Ballroom B.

8 p.m. SA Sunday Night Film Series, presents "Pirates of the Caribbean," sponsored by the Student Association Activities Coordination Board. Tickets: free for SA, \$2 faculty/staff and \$3 general public, available at the Angell Center Information Desk. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

MONDAY, OCT. 27

10 a.m. Violence Prevention Project Info Table, sponsored by University Police. Angell College Center Lobby 3.

4:00 p.m. EOP Academic Recognition Ceremony, sponsored by Educational Opportunity Program (EOP). Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

7 p.m. SOULfood Movie Productions, sponsored by SOUL. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

TUESDAY, OCT. 28

12:15 p.m. Flag Garden for Domestic Violence Awareness Month, sponsored by the Violence Prevention Project. Angell College Center Amite Plaza.

2 p.m. Career Development Center Fall 2003 Workshop, presents "Developing a Job Portfolio." Kehoe Conference Room, First Floor.

4:30 p.m. Monthly Faculty Senate Executive Committee Meeting, sponsored by Faculty Senate. Angell College Center Meeting Room 1.

4:30 p.m. CAS Executive Committee Meeting, sponsored by College Auxiliary Services Office. Angell College Center Meeting Room 2.

6 p.m. Film: "Baraka", sponsored by Environmental

Action Committee. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 29

10 a.m. Violence Prevention Project Info Table, sponsored by University Police. Angell College Center Lobby 3.

6 p.m. Faculty Panel Discussion Series, sponsored by the Center for Diversity, Pluralism and Inclusion presents "Peace Now! Peace How? Perspectives on the Meaning of Peace." The Krinovitz Recital Hall.

7:30 p.m. Violence Prevention Project Film Series, sponsored by University Police. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

THURSDAY, OCT. 30

12:20 p.m. Women's Studies Forum, sponsored by Women's Studies Department. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

5:30 p.m. IFC Awards Ceremony, sponsored by Interfraternity Council. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

8 p.m. Wizards of Weird Multi-Media Show, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms.

9:15 p.m. Organization Affairs Board Meeting, sponsored by Student Association. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

FRIDAY, OCT. 31

4 p.m. ODK Meeting, sponsored by Omicron Delta Kappa. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

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Classroom Without Walls -- The Bio Blitz Project

When people think of students attending classes at a university, the image that first comes to mind is a professor standing at the head of a classroom. However, there are times when the best learning environment is not in a traditional classroom, but in a "classroom without walls."

A group of four students in Dr. Kenneth Adams' ENV 337 course, Field Ecology, are working on a project outside the classroom. Phillip Defoe, Tim Jackson, Kent Pollaro and Shannon Vincent are taking what they've learned in their environmental science classes and applying it to a field study of Rugar Woods for the project they've termed, "Bio Blitz."

"Basically the Bio Blitz is a survey/inventory to identify the various plant species of Rugar Woods," said Defoe.

The group is identifying and categorizing all the various species found in the Woods -- from trees and shrubs to mosses and animals.

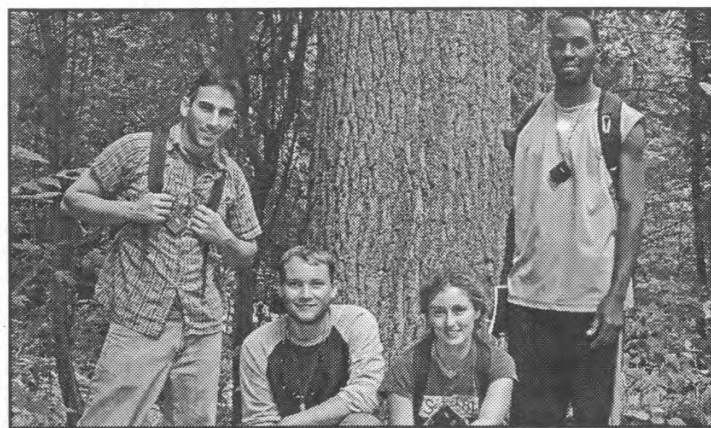
"We've got a good initial list of species," said Jackson.

Dr. Adams believes that getting the students out of the classroom and into the field expands their educational experience.

"I have always been a proponent of hands-on learning," said Adams. "Students learn best through active participation and making connections with lecture theory through 'hands-on' projects. It is essential for students of ecology to learn first-hand the methods used by authors of their textbooks. Advances in educational technology available to students today can be useful learning tools for some objectives, but for ecology students, there is no substitute for direct, hands-on immersion in natural ecosystems."

The students agree that they are putting their knowledge learned in the classroom to work.

"I'm learning a lot, both from the class and by getting more experience in the field -- on our own," said Jackson. "It's great that we actually get to have the



Kent Pollaro, Tim Jackson, Shannon Vincent and Phillip Defoe work on the Bio Blitz project in Rugar Woods.

opportunity to do the actual scientific research in the field."

Defoe agrees, "I am learning a whole lot from the project. It is a real hands-on approach towards learning. This project is very beneficial to me."

Adams said that there are long-range plans for this project.

"This 'autumn blitz' will be regarded as a beginning, with students continuing the project in the future, eventually sampling during all seasons of the year," said Adams. "Gradually, these studies of the flora and fauna in Rugar Woods will give us a more complete understanding of the natural communities in this ecosystem. In time, a vegetation map of Rugar's Woods will be part of a GIS database. Professor Eileen Allen and Environmental Science major, John Crosby, are currently beginning this GIS map with a database of the property boundaries of Rugar Woods. Also, in coordination with Matt Kelting, college horticulturist, we plan to develop an interpretive nature trail in Rugar Woods that could be used by faculty, students, visiting alumni and prospective students and families."

Portrait Unveiling for Distinguished Faculty Oct. 23

Dr. M. Daphne Kutzer and Carla List-Handley will be honored as the College's most recent SUNY Distinguished Professor and Librarian during a portrait unveiling ceremony in the Benjamin F. Feinberg Library Oct. 23 at 4 p.m.

Dr. Daphne Kutzer was promoted to SUNY Distinguished Service Professor of English and has become the 23rd faculty member from Plattsburgh State to receive the prestigious recognition by the SUNY Board of Trustees, the university's highest faculty designation for those who have achieved national or international prominence and a distinguished reputation in a chosen field.

Since arriving at Plattsburgh State in 1979, Kutzer



Kutzer



List-Handley

has built an exceptional record and reputation as a teacher-scholar. She was promoted to associate professor in 1986 and professor in 1996.

List-Handley was appointed Distinguished Librarian by the SUNY Board of Trustees. She is the third person in SUNY to be appointed distinguished librarian and the second at Plattsburgh State.

A member of the Feinberg Library staff since 1981, List-Handley received appointments to senior assistant librarian in 1984, associate librarian in 1987 and librarian in 1995.

The portraits of the newest two SUNY distinguished scholars will be installed next to those of the other SUNY distinguished faculty in Feinberg Library.

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Two Faculty Members Honored by SUNY

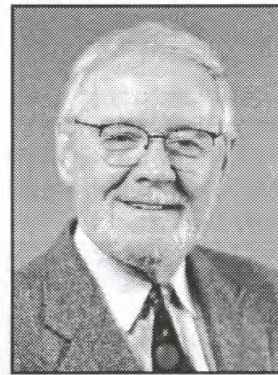
Edward Brohel and Dr. Mark Cohen Recognized as Important and Creative Scholars

Two professors at Plattsburgh State were among 58 faculty members recently honored by SUNY as New York's most important and creative scholars who have made significant contributions in the fields of journalism, sculpture, philosophy, anthropology, social sciences, the arts and more.

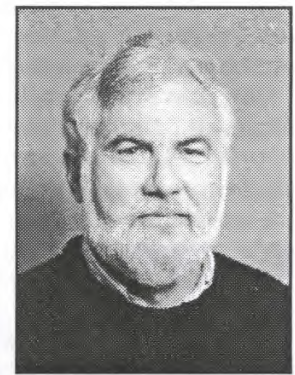
Dr. Mark Cohen, distinguished teaching professor of anthropology, and **Edward Brohel**, director of the Plattsburgh Art Museum, were honored at the third "Chancellor's Recognition Dinner Honoring Research and Scholarship in the Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences," held at State University Plaza in Albany Oct. 20.

"These award-winning faculty members have contributed to the dramatic growth in the importance and volume of research being conducted on SUNY campuses – research leading to scientific breakthroughs that will prevent or heal medical disorders and ailments, protect the environment, create new pharmaceuticals and help us understand the origins of the universe," said Chancellor Robert L. King. "These honorees represent SUNY's world-class faculty that has garnered more than \$766 million for 9,000 research projects that are supporting 21,000 jobs in New York State.

Cohen has devoted his career to the highest levels of scholarship within his field to become a major transformative leader within anthropology. He was appointed



Brohel



Cohen

assistant professor of anthropology in 1971 and associate professor in 1974. He was promoted to professor in 1981 and was elevated to SUNY's highest academic rank of Distinguished University Teaching Professor in 1991.

Cohen was also a recipient of the SUNY Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Teaching in 1986. He received his A.B. in 1965 from Harvard College and his Ph.D. from Columbia University in 1971.

He has been a visiting professor at several international universities including the University of Sydney in

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Plattsburgh State, Willsboro School Students Team up in National FES Program

Students at Plattsburgh State will be teaming up with middle and high school age kids from Willsboro Central School in an effort to encourage them to consider college.

It's all part of a national program through the Foundation for Excellent Schools (FES) to partner colleges with public schools in high-need communities to raise student aspirations and performance.

On Saturday, Nov. 1, 22 Plattsburgh State students will travel to Willsboro to meet with 15 students in grades six through twelve and their parents. Cori Matthews,

director of the Center for Service Learning and Volunteerism, said this will be the first occasion for the mentors (college students) to meet their mentees (high school students).

"We will be meeting them as a group as opposed to one-on-one," said Matthews. "While we have no specific goals established for the first group meeting, we are going to do some work on getting to know each other and then begin setting goals such as attendance in school and grades."

Matthews said that eventually

specific goals will be set for each child depending on the student's individual circumstances.

Willsboro Central School is one of 12 schools in the Adirondack Excellent Schools Program (AESP) that is associated with FES. Plattsburgh State is one of 15 partnering colleges in New York and Vermont participating in the AESP effort, which is coordinated by the FES offices located in Cornwall, Vt. and headed by its director, Rick Dalton.

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Business Campaign Kicks Off

The Plattsburgh College Foundation kicked off its annual Business Partners' Campaign Oct. 27 with a goal of \$250,000. The theme for this year's campaign is "Plattsburgh on the Move."

The chairperson for this year's campaign is Scott Bombard, a 1974 graduate of Plattsburgh State and sales manager for Graymont Materials (NY) Inc.

"It is an honor to head the Foundation's business campaign," said Bombard. "The well being of Plattsburgh State is vital to the business and intellectual health of the North Country and is something that should be guarded and nurtured by everyone who lives here. I am pleased to have been associated with the business campaign for many years because I have seen the good that comes from it."

Dr. John Clark, interim president of Plattsburgh State University of New York, said that he's excited about this year's campaign.

"We have an excellent relationship between the College and the business community," said Clark. "I'd like to thank the volunteers of the business campaign and the donors. Together, we're keeping Plattsburgh State on the move."



Interim President John Clark thanks business campaign leaders for their assistance.

Presidents' Speaker Series Presents Don McPherson

The Presidents' Speaker Series presents Don McPherson, the founder and executive director of the Sports Leadership Institute at Adelphi University, on Monday, Nov. 3.



McPherson will give two public presentations. "You Throw Like a Girl," at 4 p.m. in the Cardinal Lounge, Angell College Center, is free and open to the public. The second presentation, "Men's Responsibility to End Violence Against Women," is open to men only and will also be held in the Cardinal Lounge beginning at 6 p.m.

McPherson is the recipient of the 2003 Frederick Douglass Men of Strength Award, presented by the Washington, D.C. organization, *Men Can Stop Rape*, and the Creative Vision for Women's Justice Award, presented by the Pace University Law School Women's Justice Center. His work, including lectures on violence prevention at more than 100 campuses, has gained national attention and was recently featured on MTV.

A native of West Hempstead, N.Y., McPherson played professional football for seven years. He then turned his attention to student-athlete training programs and created his sports leadership institute. He has trained thousands of athletes and conducted leadership training programs across the country.

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FES is committed to helping member schools in low-income communities identify, initiate, and sustain practices that will enable students to achieve stronger performance.

It also encourages increased aspirations and achievement for all students and works with each partnering school to create educational opportunities for each student.

The Adirondack Excellent Schools Program is funded by Charitable Venture Foundation, with additional support from South Lake Champlain Trust, Lake Placid Education Foundation, Willmott Foundation and The Clements Foundation.

Two Plattsburgh State students have been designated head mentors. Alexaine Leon, a freshman from Queens, N.Y., and Patrick Parker, a junior from Ballston Spa, N.Y., will act as liaisons between the college and Willsboro school officials.

They will coordinate when the college and school age students will get together, which is expected twice a

month during the school year. The meetings and varying events will take place at both Willsboro and Plattsburgh State.

Now in its second year, AESP is showing gains in student performance-grades, attendance, motivation, attitude, and/or the number of students aspiring to higher education.

A recent report of a dozen schools in Northern New York by an outside evaluator showed that students participating in a mentoring program offered by FES demonstrated improvements in attendance, grades and event attitude toward school while discipline programs also declined.

Hezel Associates of Syracuse, N.Y., found that 99 percent of the 1,500 students participating in the FES programs made gains during the 2002-03 academic year.

"We are delighted with the gains made in our Adirondack schools," said Dalton. "It is a tribute to school and community commitment and the wonderful assistance of colleges throughout the region."

News Conference Updates Unrecognized Pledging Cases

Plattsburgh State has announced that more than half of the 21 students who were under investigation for unsanctioned pledging activities during the spring 2003 semester have been dismissed or suspended.

At a news conference at Plattsburgh State Thursday, (Oct. 30) Dr. John Clark, interim college president, stated that 10 students were dismissed from college while four students received suspension for this academic year. He also said that four other students received suspensions, however, upon appeal, these suspensions are being held in abeyance. Another three students were also placed on probation.

"Today is a somber one for the College, yet it is also a day when we reaffirm the College's dedication to the well-being of its students," said Clark. "Ladies and gentlemen - students come to Plattsburgh to grow and bloom, not to abuse or be abused."

Clark said that the 21 students were charged with a total of 119 violations of the Student Code of Conduct stemming from the investigation of the hazing tragedy last March 12 when Walter Dean Jennings, an 18-year-old Plattsburgh State student from Gansevoort, N.Y., died of hyponatremia, or water intoxication.

The 21 students were issued college charges that included aiding and abetting, disorderly conduct, endangerment and hazing, which are all violations of the Student Code of Conduct. While some of the charges were related to the fatal incident on March 12 other charges came about from the investigation by Plattsburgh University Police surrounding the unsanctioned pledging activities of the unrecognized and former student organization.

Clark also announced that the College took judicial action against two sororities for violations of the College's regulations related to the Student Club and Organization Manual.

Alpha Kappa Phi sorority, which was already on suspension, has had its recognition withdrawn by the College and therefore must cease all operations as a sorority.

Phi Kappa Chi sorority has been suspended for at least the rest of this academic year. During this period of time, all activities and privileges afforded the sorority are suspended, and it will be required to comply with a num-



Interim President John Clark spoke during a news conference on Thursday, Oct. 30.

ber of prerequisites before it can reapply for recognition. These sanctions are currently under appeal.

Clark said that it is the responsibility and the duty of the College to provide for the well-being of the students.

"This is our paramount concern as a true Alma Mater, and when this well-being is violated, we must act decisively with fairness and justice."

In addition to the remarks by Clark, SUNY Chancellor Robert King, State Senator Elizabeth Little, State Assemblyman Chris Ortloff and Plattsburgh City Mayor Daniel Stewart also spoke.

King said that he believed the sanctions against the students by the College were "thorough, fair and firm."

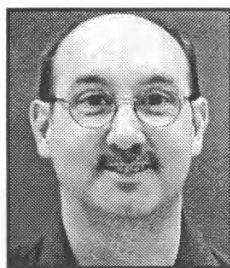
"It is as firm a response as we are currently able to administer. In meting out the dismissals and the suspensions for the students involved, this is a very powerful way to send a very clear, simple message -- not just to the students here at Plattsburgh -- but to our 410,000 students across our system," said King. "I hope that this episode will send this very clear message across our university. It clearly, just by the number of people here today, has sent a strong message across this campus. I'm very grateful to all who have been involved to help us deal with this situation and hopefully take and build the environment that will prevent a reoccurrence in the future," King said.



Five well-known local women politicians recently spoke at a special Women's Studies Forum. The forum, "Women in Politics," featured Elizabeth "Betty" O'C. Little, New York State Senate; Jeanne Ashworth, supervisor, Town of Wilmington; Shirley Seney, supervisor, Town of North Elba; Sara Rowden, Clinton County legislator; and Jackie Walker, Clinton County Legislator. The women have all run for and been elected to political office. The Women's Studies Forum is now in its 23rd year and its primary goal is to illuminate and educate on any and all areas of human interest from a feminist perspective. The forum was sponsored by the Women's Studies Program with a grant from CAS Special Funds and additional support for this event from the Plattsburgh State chapter of United University Professions. Following the forum, a small reception was held in the Warren Ballrooms for the panel and guests.

Dr. Timothy Clukey Produces CD on Tales of the Adirondacks

Dr. Timothy Clukey, assistant professor of communication, has produced a compact disc that is the first in a series of audio pieces providing cultural documentation of regional folklore for the Adirondack North Country.



Clukey

The CD, *Campfire Tales of the Adirondack North Country*, is a collection of tales, myths and legends told by the people who have investigated them.

"These recordings capture the mystique and history of the North Country by documenting the tales and legends of the area, including hauntings, executions and mysteries that have been passed down from generation to generation around the campfire," said Clukey.

Storytellers featured on the CD include: Penelope Clute, former clinton county district attorney and Plattsburgh City court judge; Gordie Little, television and radio personality and columnist for the *Press Republican*; Chris Ortloff, New York State Assemblyman; and Dr. Douglas Skopp, distinguished teaching professor of history.

"The idea of this CD came while I was completing research for a segment of Digital Audio Recording Applications, an advanced audio production course I

teach in the fall," said Clukey. "I began contacting people in the area. My goal was to capture regional folklore as told by people in the area who have researched these stories."

Clukey said that the process of putting the CD together was intriguing and that he discovered many things from everyone he interviewed.

"Dr. Skopp recounted stories from the many 'haunted' portions of the campus, reaching back to the early 1900s," he said. "Penelope Clute had completed extensive research into public executions and strongly stated a case for a public hanging that involved a miscarriage of justice back in the 1800s."

Clukey began his work on the project last May and completed final production in late August. He is currently doing research on stories from some of the more mountainous areas of the region, which he hopes to explore further over the summer.

Portions of the CD have been aired on North Country Public Radio.

"I'm very proud of the CD," said Clukey. "I contextualized it to reflect the type of stories that were being told -- tales, myths and legends of the area, the kind of thing you tell while sitting around a campfire."

To learn more about the CD or to hear a sample, go to www.freewebs.com/campfiretales

Spotlight on faculty and staff

Dr. Roger Hamernik, professor and director of the Auditory Research Laboratories, recently had two articles published. "The Effects of the Amplitude Distribution of Equal Energy Exposures on Noise-Induced Hearing Loss: The Kurtosis Metric" and "Cochlear Toughening, Protection, and Potentiation of Noise-Induced trauma by Non-Gaussian Noise." were published in the *Journal of the Acoustical Society of America*. Both articles were co-

authored by **Dr. Robert Davis**, professor and senior research scientist at the Auditory Research Laboratories and Dr. Wei Qiu.

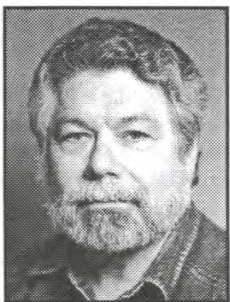
Dr. Jean Ouedraogo, assistant professor of foreign languages and literature, published an article, "Baliseurs du conte au Quebec," in the September-October issue of Quebec's literary magazine *Spirale*.

Dr. Richard Schnell, professor of counselor education, presented at the North Atlantic Regional Association for Counselor Education and Supervision (NARACES) 2003 Annual Conference in Canandaigua, N.Y., Oct. 17-19. In addition to leading a New York State Mental Health Board information breakfast

roundtable on the functions and challenges of the new New York State Board for Mental Health Practitioners, Schnell presented a multimedia presentation, "Haiku, Photography and Healing," in accordance with the conference's theme, "Navigating Troubled Waters: Counselor Educators and Supervisors Seeking Calm in Time of World Conflict." As the outgoing treasurer of NARACES, a nine-state professional association, Schnell presented the organization's annual financial report and statement of accounts. **Dr. Stephen Saiz**, assistant professor of counselor education, has been appointed the organization's new treasurer and member of the NARACES executive committee.



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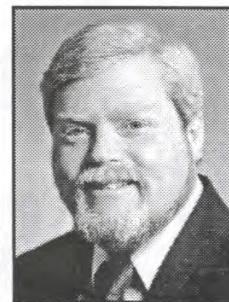
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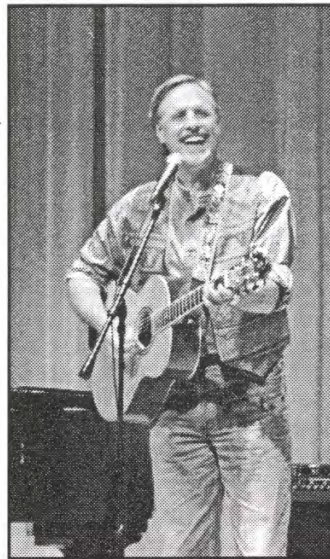
Alumni Enjoy Homecoming Weekend 2003

Alumni swarmed back to campus for Homecoming 2003 Oct. 17-19. The honored classes were 1953 (celebrating their 50th reunion) and 1978 (celebrating their 25th). But many other years were represented as alums enjoyed getting together to catch up with old friends and classmates.

Right: The Class of 1953 enjoyed a wonderful Homecoming brunch at the Elks Club on Saturday morning. They gathered together for their big class photo before going off to attend more Homecoming Weekend events.



Above: Two very special guests this Homecoming were Dr. Charles and Nancy Warren, past president and first lady of Plattsburgh State (above, talking with Provost Golden). A reception was held for the Warrens at the President's House as part of the Homecoming festivities.



Left: One of Plattsburgh State's most famous alums, Tom Chapin '66, returned to his Alma Mater to perform in concert on Saturday, Oct. 18. His work has been nominated for several Grammy nominations and has garnered plenty of awards. Chapin also narrates a series of children's books to benefit the Humane Society of the United States. One of his narrations, "Mama Don't Allow," won a 2002 Grammy Award for Best Spoken Word Album for Children.

SEFA Campaign Kicks Off

The State Employee Federated Appeal Campaign officially kicked off during a breakfast on Oct. 16. The goal for this year is \$50,000 or five percent more than last year's goal. The theme for this year's campaign is, "It's All About Family." Last year, 332 individuals contributed a total of \$47,891. The campaign chairs are

Peter Luguri, associate vice president for student affairs and enrollment management and director of athletics, and Marlyn Cotter, information processing specialist in the accounting department.

For more information on the SEFA Campaign, please contact Luguri at 564-4153, or Cotter at 564-3102.

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Australia in 1996; Hebrew University in Israel in 1989; and Cambridge University in England in 1985.

Cohen has written several books. *Culture of Intolerance* won the Bruno Brand Tolerance Award from the Simon Weisenthal Center and was chosen an outstanding title by the American Association of University Professors. His book, *Health and the Rise of Civilization*, was the Los Angeles Times "Critics Choice."

A Guggenheim, Fulbright and Stanford Fellow, Cohen has also written numerous articles in refereed professional journals and has been awarded various research grants.

Brohel has served as director of the Plattsburgh State Art Museum since 1978 and has guided the devel-

opment of an ever-expanding and unique art collection and museum program.

The collections at Plattsburgh today are valued at more than \$20 million and growing. A recipient of the Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Professional Service, Brohel has also presented numerous public lectures and developed and received more than 40 grants or gifts for the Museum.

Under Brohel's leadership, Plattsburgh hosts an active schedule of exhibition programs with an average of 12 per year and numerous symposia on the arts.

Brohel received his bachelor's in history from Manhattan College and a master's from Brooklyn College.

FOCUS Calendar Friday, Oct. 31 - Tuesday, Nov. 18

For information on weekly meetings and other upcoming events, check the Plattsburgh State Web Calendar at: <http://banweb.cc.plattsburgh.edu/banprd/plsql/events.calendar>

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6 p.m. Galilean Society Movie Series. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

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4:30 p.m. Jeopardy Challenge - History vs. Math Department, sponsored by Learning Center. Angell College Center Warren Ballroom A.

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 5

12 p.m. Direct Marketing Speaker Series, sponsored by Marketing Association. Angell Center Cardinal Lounge.

2 p.m. Career Development Center Fall 2003 Workshop, presents "Applying to Graduate Schools." Kehoe Conference

Room, First Floor.

7 p.m. Violence Prevention Project Focus Groups, sponsored by University Police. Angell College Center Warren Ballroom B.

7 p.m. Town Meeting - Graduate Studies at PSU, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

7 p.m. CDPI Film Series and WRAP Session, presents "Three Kings," sponsored by the Center for Diversity, Pluralism and Inclusion. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

8 p.m. "An Inspector Calls" by J. B. Priestley, Main Stage Production directed by John Shout. Tickets available at the Angell College Center or at the door. General \$10; Faculty/Staff/Seniors/Students \$7; Plattsburgh State SA members \$2. Hartman Theater, Myers Fine Arts.

THURSDAY, NOV. 6

12:15 p.m. Greek New Member Workshop, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Amnesty Room.

12:20 p.m. Women's Studies Forum. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

4:30 p.m. People for a Sweatfree Campus and World, sponsored by Women's Studies Department. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

7 p.m. Film Showing -- "Spirited Away", sponsored by Asian Club. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

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8 p.m. Fashion Show and Dating Game, sponsored by AKEBA. Tickets: \$5 SA, \$6 faculty/staff, \$7 general public, on sale at the ACC Desk. The Hyman and Frances Krinovitz Recital Hall.

8 p.m. Choir Concert, College Chorale, Cardinal Singers and Minor Adjustments perform in free choral concert. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

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10 p.m. Akeba Party, sponsored by AKEBA. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

SATURDAY, NOV. 8

9 a.m. Fall 2003 Open House Program. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

2 p.m. CDPI Film Series and WRAP Session, presents "Finding Forrester," sponsored by the Center for Diversity, Pluralism and Inclusion. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

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8 p.m. "An Inspector Calls" by J. B. Priestley, Main Stage Production directed by John Shout. Tickets available at the

Angell College Center or at the door. General \$10; Faculty/Staff/Seniors/Students \$7; Plattsburgh State SA members \$2. Hartman Theater, Myers Fine Arts.

8 p.m. Talent Show/Comedy Show, sponsored by AKEBA. Angell College Center Warren Ballroom B.

SUNDAY, NOV. 9

1:30 p.m. Akeba Workshop/Theatre Group. Angell College Center Warren Ballroom B.

8 p.m. SA Sunday Night Film Series, presents "American Wedding," sponsored by the Student Association Activities Coordination Board. Tickets: free for SA, \$2 faculty/staff and \$3 general public, available at the Angell Center Information Desk. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

MONDAY, NOV. 10

3 p.m. Greek Leadership Series Workshop, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

7 p.m. SOULfood Movie Productions, sponsored by SOUL. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

TUESDAY, NOV. 11

12:15 p.m. Students For Direct Democracy Speaker Series. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

1 p.m. Career Development Center Fall 2003 Workshop, presents "Creating Resumes & Cover Letters." Kehoe Conference Room, First Floor.

4:30 p.m. Faculty Senate Monthly Meeting, sponsored by Faculty Senate. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 12

5:30 p.m. Annual Empty Bowl Dinner fund-raiser for the Interfaith Food Shelf. \$8/general; \$6/students; \$5/children. For more information, call Berry Matthews at 562-1086.

THURSDAY, NOV. 13

11 a.m. Career Development Center Fall 2003 Workshop, presents "Delivering a Dynamic Interview." Kehoe Conference

Room, First Floor.

12:20 p.m. Women's Studies Forum. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

4:30 p.m. Opening of "Love Makes a Family" Exhibit, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

7 p.m. Film: "Joint Security Area", sponsored by Asian Club. Yokum Hall 205.

7:30 p.m. Dan Fitts: Adirondack Park Agency Presentation, sponsored by Adirondack Experience Program. The Hyman and Frances Krinovitz Recital Hall.

8 p.m. Play Reading "The Director," sponsored by Theatre Department. Hartman Theater, Myers Fine Arts.

FRIDAY, NOV. 14

8 a.m. Phi Mu Delta Expansion Meetings, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Meeting Room 1.

8 p.m. Symphonic Band Concert, Free and open to all. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

SATURDAY, NOV. 15

4 p.m. Phi Eta Sigma Induction Ceremony. The Hyman and Frances Krinovitz Recital Hall.

6 p.m. Galilean Society Movie Series. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

6 p.m. WQKE Benefit Concert. Angell College Center Warren Ballroom B.

SUNDAY, NOV. 16

8 p.m. SA Sunday Night Film Series, presents "Bad Boys II" sponsored by the Student Association Activities Coordination Board. Tickets: free for SA, \$2 faculty/staff and \$3 general public, available at the Angell Center Information Desk. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

MONDAY, NOV. 17

5:30 p.m. Panurgy Microsoft Informational Meeting, sponsored by Lifelong Learning. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

TUESDAY, NOV. 18

10 a.m. International Education Fair. Angell College

Center Warren Ballrooms.

11 a.m. CVPH Blood Drive. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

12:15 p.m. Students For Direct Democracy Speaker Series. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

4:30 p.m. Tuesday Reflections,

sponsored by Arts & Sciences.

Angell Center Cardinal Lounge.

5 p.m. Order of Omega Inductions. Angell College Center Warren Ballroom A.

7:30 p.m. Visual Artist Series, sponsored by Art Department. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

Support Groups in November

The Center for Student Health and Psychological Services has openings in two groups this fall.

A two-part Stress Management Workshop, which is open to the college community, will be held Wednesdays, Nov. 12 and 19 from 2 to 3 p.m. in the activity room in the lower level of Memorial Hall. Topics will focus on managing stress in our busy schedule using relaxation, visualization and self-talk exercises and living a more healthy life by focusing on nutrition and exercise.

The Body Image and Eating Issues Group has begun and still has openings for new members. This group is open to students only. The support group, designed to help students who are dealing with issues related to food and self-esteem, meets on Thursdays from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in the Student Health Center Conference Room 148.

For more information or to register for these groups, contact the Center for Student Health and Psychological Services at 564-3086. All calls are strictly confidential.

Van Safety Education Program Classes in November

Classes Held in Service Building

Friday, Nov. 7

12 noon to 3 p.m.

Monday, Nov. 10

9 - 10:30 a.m. (part 1)

Wednesday, Nov. 12

9 - 10:30 a.m. (part 2)

Thursday, Nov. 13

3 to 6 p.m.

Monday, Nov. 17

9 - 10:30 a.m. (part 1)

Wednesday, Nov. 19

9 - 10:30 a.m. (part 2)

Thursday, Nov. 20

3 to 6 p.m.

Monday, Nov. 24

3 to 6 p.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 25

12 noon to 3 p.m.

Classes Held in Student Health Center

Wednesday, Nov. 5

12 noon to 3 p.m.

6 to 9 p.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 11

6 to 9 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 12

9 a.m. to 12 noon

Employees interested in the Van Safety Education Program should contact Gina Doty at 564-5011. In addition to the Van Safety Education Program, all participants need to have authorization under the Drivers' Safety Review and Authorization Policy, which includes the License Event Notification System (LENS). Applications are available from their department chairs or University Police at 564-2022.

Online Magazine *All Points North* Making Strides

With more than 6,000 hits to the Website, *All Points North* (APN) has blossomed from an abstract idea into an online magazine that offers students a chance to do longer, multi-sourced features in typical magazine style.

"We want to reach readers all across the North Country-and we are," said APN's adviser Gretel Schueller. "There's such a rich source of articles in and about the North Country. And it's really rewarding to see the students begin to appreciate the fantastic wealth of interesting things that go on here."

Joe Samuelson, III., editor and the only remaining original member of APN, said that the online magazine allows him to write the way he wants to write.

"There are a lot of students that come here and move into the Banks Hall and maybe a couple of more dorms in their four years here," said Samuelson. "Then they leave, not seeing anything other than campus and not knowing anything other than *Cardinal Points* or campus-related news."

Megan McIntyre, editor of APN, said that students shouldn't be scared off by the words "North Country."

"A lot of people think that because we write about the North Country, all we talk about is trees and mountain men and that's all we do. But, we have such a diverse range of stories anywhere from Albany to Montréal and Vermont," said McIntyre.

The online magazine started out as a class, "Magazine Start Up." Schueller was hired as the magazine journalism teacher and became the adviser of APN in the fall of 2001.

"The Journalism Department realized that it needed to broaden its curriculum beyond just the newspaper," said Schueller.

"It was a building class," said Samuelson. "We went through many names and ideas for a focus, many departments' idea and name, and it took a lot to get what the magazine was going to look like. By the end of the first semester, we had something online with stories on it that you could refer to as a magazine."



Gretel Schueller (sitting) works with Lisa Bettencourt, one of the designers of *All Points North*.

According to Schueller, the students are also learning to use the industry-standard Web design software.

"The presentation and designs have improved dramatically," said Schueller. "Both the students and I came into this with pretty much zero knowledge of the software required to make a Website. Now, a current issue not only includes links and photos, but also animation, slide shows and sound."

Schueller said that for as many advantages the Web can offer, its greatest disadvantage is that it requires readers to take the active first step-go to the Website.

"It's not lying around in tangible piles that can be just picked up and read like *Cardinal Points*," Schueller said.

"It's amazing that in two years we've single-handedly come so far," Schueller added. "The students have done an incredible job. It was a long and slow process but it was important for the students to appreciate how important and necessary this step of magazine creation is."

For more information on the progress of APN, visit its Website at www.apnmag.com

-- by Kaidian Smith, communications intern

Special Student Silent Art Auction Nov. 20

Three art students, Kahoru Otani, Robert Lewis and Monique Ford, are working with Diane Fine, professor and chair of the Art Department, to put together a silent art auction to benefit three local art foundations -- the Plattsburgh College Foundation Art Department account, the North Country Cultural Center on Brinkerhoff Street and the Bluseed Studio in Saranac Lake, N.Y.

The auction, on Thursday, Nov. 20 from 4 to 5:30 p.m. in the Lobby of the Myers Fine Arts Building, will feature a wide range of art work by students and alumni of the art program. Works will include print-making, photography, ceramics, sculptures and paintings.

Otani, Lewis and Ford are working on this project as



The students and Fine hold a few art pieces that will be up for auction.

part of their independent study with Fine.

"I've really enjoyed interacting with the three foundations," said Lewis. "We're doing what we can to help these foundations to further the enjoyment of art in the community."

This is not the first art auction undertaken by the Art Department.

A year-and-a-half ago, a similar auction was held to benefit New York City artists following Sept. 11, 2001.

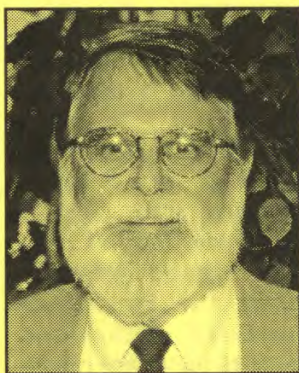
"People have kept asking me when we were going to do something like this again," said Fine. "These students have really worked hard to put this auction together."

For more information on the auction, contact Fine at 564-2461 or email her at diane.fine@plattsburgh.edu

BUSINESS AFFAIRS UPDATE

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FROM THE DESK OF John R. Homburger Vice President, Business Affairs



Homburger

Organizational Changes

I would like to start by welcoming the folks in Financial Aid back to Business Affairs. They are a hard working group of professionals that generates a positive impact on behalf of thousands of students every year. I am very proud to be working with them again.

I am also very pleased to be working directly with the Institutional Advancement Office. The activity in Alumni and Development is very busy with the Alumni Phonathon, which is currently under way; the impending Business Campaign; the start-up of the Cardinal Booster Club fundraising events; and last, but certainly not least, the follow-up of an enormously successful Homecoming Weekend.

The commitment and dedication of the entire staff to support this annual event was an extraordinary display of planning and teamwork. It was good to feel the positive energy, hear the laughter and listen to stories of our proud past. Rose, you are unbelievable!

Budget (Present and Future)

The current year (2003-2004) budget fundamentals are still in place, but a number of variables still need to play out. Our projected tuition revenue took a fairly big hit (\$700,000 annualized shortfall), and it is now clear that full-time and part-time graduate, transfer and non-resident undergraduate students came in under our projections.

This shortfall has not tipped us over, but did force us to take up two notches on our campus budget belt. We hope to make up a little revenue in the Winter Session and the Spring '04 semester, but we clearly understand the shortfall will not be erased. Our expectations are to optimistically pick up between \$50,000 to \$100,000 in additional revenue. We are hopeful, although not confident, that this will occur.

Next year's budget news from Albany seems to be forecasting a five-to-six billion dollar shortfall at the State level with no obvious one-year/one-time or long-term solutions other than cutting expenditures.

Until we hear differently, our approach will be to plan conservatively, but move forward with recruiting

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BURSAR'S OFFICE

We have several items to tell you about in this edition of *Focus on Plattsburgh*.

Satisfaction Survey

How are we doing? Do you have suggestions for improvement? We want your opinion about our current services and what new services we should offer. To find out, we're handing out a satisfaction survey to selected students by November 3rd. We want this one to be the first of several ongoing surveys.

New Disbursement Notification Procedure

If you receive a Federal Perkins Loan, subsidized direct loan, unsubsidized direct loan, or nursing loan, you will be notified by campus email the night those proceeds are credited to your account. This email will tell you the term those proceeds are applied to, the date of disbursement, the type of loan being disbursed and the amount of the disbursement. This email will also give you instructions on how to cancel your loan, how long you have to cancel your loan, and where to look on banweb for both financial aid and student account detail. If you receive a PLUS (or parent) loan, your parent(s) will receive a notification letter by U.S. mail with similar information. Because of this new process and other new procedures on the horizon, it's extremely important that you check your campus email often.

Important Dates

We mailed spring payment plan applications the week of October 20th to incoming freshmen and to students currently using the payment plan. To receive one, please contact the Bursar's Office by phone at 518-564-3120, by fax at 518-564-3116 or by email at bursar@plattsburgh.edu and we'll mail one to you.

We expect to mail Winter Session and spring invoices the week of November 24. They will be due back with payment by December 22. You should receive your 1098T informational return in late January.

Residency Information and Application Online

You no longer have to receive a blank residency application from us at our window, in the mail or by fax. You can now go to our Website at www.plattsburgh.edu/offices/admin/bursar and click the caption "residency requirements" underneath the

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Financial Aid

The Financial Aid Office has already awarded more financial aid to students than last year. Currently, the office has already coordinated more than \$40 million in aid for the 2003-04 academic year, while the office coordinated \$39 million in aid in the entire 2002-03 academic year. This increase is largely due to the recent increase in tuition. Roughly \$3.2 million of the \$40 million is from scholarships, grants and housing waivers funded by Plattsburgh State and the Plattsburgh College Foundation.

Internal Controls -- What Do They Mean?

In 1987, New York State enacted the NYS Governmental Accountability, Audit and Internal Control Act mandating that each State agency develop a system of internal controls - a formal process of unit self examination.

What does this mean? The simple definition says that internal control is what we do to see that the things we want to happen, will happen - AND the things we don't want to happen DON'T! An even simpler explanation says that internal controls are exercising good old common sense practices...like we do everyday, for example, when we make travel plans, save money for retirement or balance our checkbooks.

Internal controls are basic management practices for fiscal operations as well as program activities. Preventative controls are designed to discourage errors or irregularities from occurring. Detective controls are designed to find errors or irregularities after they have occurred.

During the upcoming months we will begin the process of re-defining assessable units within our campus. Once completed each area will be asked to complete a questionnaire to help determine if and where vulnerabilities exist.

Since everyone plays a part in Plattsburgh State's internal controls we all need to be aware of the concept.

Purchasing

Enterprise Rent-A-Car has recently increased vehicle rental costs by three percent.



This is the first increase since the current state contract was approved in May 2000. A vehicle return form is now issued with every vehicle to complete if a vehicle is returned when the Enterprise office is closed.

Questions concerning the above should be addressed to the Purchasing Office.

The number of offices ordering state contact office supplies on-line with Boise and Staples continues to increase. If you have not signed up for the on-line program, please contact the Purchasing Office. The program offers increased savings and eliminates the processing of manual purchase requisitions.

Purchase requisitions for registrations must be received in the Purchasing Office two weeks prior to the deadline for registering.

Purchase requisitions received less than two weeks prior to the deadline may be returned, as there is insufficient time to process an order.

Completed purchase requisitions and registration forms may be faxed to the Purchasing Office to save time.



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critical positions and reallocating funds and priorities as best we can. We intend to live within a flat budget while positioning ourselves for possible cuts. Although the budget is structurally sound, we are vulnerable to any additional cuts by having used virtually all our reserves and contingencies to keep the books balanced in the last two years.

We should begin to hear more from Albany in the very near future, as it is the budget development season, and the second quarter revenue/expenditure numbers (as of Sept. 30, 2003) from Albany are usually released by mid-November. Stay tuned...

Technology Initiatives

We are by no means standing by watching the budget storm cloud form over Albany. We have set our sights on introducing some new technologies that include Web-based cashiering, electronic refunding and paperless time and attendance record keeping.

Each of these initiatives will have a significant impact in reducing workload, saving overtime and attaining a higher level of customer service for our students, faculty and staff. The front end cashiering capability will hopefully lead to electronic student invoicing as well.

Our goal is to implement the cashiering and electronic refunding for the Fall 2004 semester, and the automated employee time and attendance record keeping system is currently running parallel to the old system to help identify any regulatory or compliance-related issues.

We hope to fully implement the time and attendance system within the next three months. A big thanks to Brenda Kramer and Betty Bogucki for their ability to translate such complex regulatory rules, policies and procedures into a system that is meaningful and friendly.

In closing, I would like to simply reiterate Interim President John Clark's battle cry, "We are moving on."

Human Resources Department

The Human Resources Department and the local chapters of CSEA and UUP would like to thank all of the employees and vendors who participated in the 2003 Employee Benefits and Wellness Fair. The day would not have been a success without you.

Please join me in congratulating the following prize winners:

CDPHP Gift Basket - **TJ Myers**

Cigna Dental Goodie Bag - **Rick Castine**

CSEA hats - **Jeanne Duprey** and **Bob Richter**

CVPH North Country on the Job Network Adirondack Video - **Shawn Murphy**

EAP Biscotti Jar - **Vicki LaBarre**

Fitness Center Spring Membership - **Deb Light**

Ground Round Gift Certificate - **Kim Hall-Stone**

Human Resources DVD/VCR - **Caroleanne Rugar**

Human Resources Clock - **Kathleen Angelosanto**

Human Resources T-Shirt - **Arlene Daniels**

Lindsey's Gift Certificate - **Vic O'Valle**

NYS Deferred Comp Teddy Bear - **Mel Wyand**

NYSUT Carbon Monoxide Detector - **Carolyn Corcoran**

SUNY Child Care Center Tote Bag - **Ann Prarie**

TIAA-CREF Canvas Bags - **Jessica Ellithorpe, Scott Bryant, & Kathleen Weaver**

TIAA-CREF Golf Umbrellas - **Victoria Christophi & Clark Foster**

UUP Benefit Trust Fund Walkman - **Carol Tubbs**

Getting Close to Retirement?

The NYS Employees' Retirement System is happy to announce that a new pre-retirement video presentation is now available on our website (<http://www.osc.state.ny.us/retire/>).



The presentation features seven short segments with information on what you need to know before you retire such as how to receive all the service credit you are entitled to and tips on filing your retirement application.

There is also a slide show (if you don't have speakers for your computer), and a text version of the presentation at: <http://www.osc.state.ny.us/retire/multimedia/index.htm>

Accomplishments for 2002-2003

- Expanded/enhanced Appointment Tracking Process
- ZAP (Zero Accident Plan) training and implementation
- Benchmarked NCOJN (North Country On the Job Network)
- Created and coordinated Secretarial Forum providing opportunity for Deans' Office secretaries to benchmark
- Revised Mission and Vision statements
- Web enhancements
- Forms Refinement (Leave Donation Request Form, AMA Course Payment, Request for Release Time, Appointment Forms, Reclassification Questionnaire, Exit Survey, Suggestion Program, Medical Certification, Address and Name Change)
- Solicited feedback from senior administrators and union representatives on HR services, Customer Service
- Satisfaction Survey conducted by student intern

Initiatives for 2003-2004

- Appointment database - coordinate with Instructional Technology and obtain server to provide more convenient and secure access.
- Standardize format for job postings, ad copy and job descriptions
- Benefit Fair
- Exit Survey and retention tracking

For more information on any of these Business Affairs updates, call the following appropriate departments:

Accounts Payable	564-3122
Bursar's Office	564-3120
Business Affairs	564-2130
Financial Aid Office	564-4076
Human Resources	564-5062
Purchasing	564-4604

Accounts Payable

Carrie Blair left Account's Payable to accept a promotion. She is working as the secretary in the Empire State College office located in Ward Hall.

For those of you who are not aware or who may have forgotten, interest charges are assessed by Albany when payments are not made within 30 calendar days of the Merchandise/Invoice Received Date (M.I.R.) date.

Our agency has 22 days to make payments and Albany has eight.

The M.I.R. date is generally the date on which our agency receives goods or services or a proper invoice, whichever is later.

Please forward all original invoices, packing/delivery slips, as soon as possible after delivery, to the Accounts Payable Office, Kehoe Building, Room 706.

If every item on a packing slip has been received and is satisfactory, please sign and date the packing slip and or invoice and write "O.K. to Pay."

Be especially careful to check in all items and

complete your receiving using the column labeled as shipped. We are having some problems with delivery slips indicating that items are on backorder, when in fact they were delivered only in a different box. In that case there should also be multiple packing slips.

All vendors should be instructed to send original invoices to our office and not to the department. If you feel that you need to keep proof of delivery, packing slips or invoices, please make a copy for your file and send us the originals.

The reason our office requests originals, is that Albany requires them for payment, and it helps to prevent duplicate payments.

Please write the Purchase Order number on all documents before sending to Accounts Payable.

All on-going Purchase Orders should have been written up and sent to the Purchasing Office by now. Examples of these orders are telephone bills, bottled water and any other company paid on a regular monthly basis.

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heading "Bursar's Office" to the left of the screen. Once you click there, look for the second heading titled "How to Apply for New York State Residency Status." You'll see the PDF file just below that heading. Then print the form, fill it out, have your signature notarized and then either give it to us at the window, mail it or fax it. We'll review it and then respond with either a determination or a request for additional information.

In the next several weeks we plan to have other information and forms on our Website such as a payment plan application, FAQs, due dates and step-by-step instructions on how to pay your bill.

Enrollment Verification

Do you need to verify your enrollment for insurance purposes? Here are four ways to get that information. First, you can get it through Banweb by typing <http://banweb.cc.plattsburgh.edu>. At this point you'll see the Banweb screen. Then choose the User Login option where you'll need to enter your user ID and PIN.

Then choose the main menu, student menu, and then National Student Clearinghouse option. In addition to accessing Banweb, you can also get your enrollment verification by calling the National Student Clearinghouse at 703-742-4200, faxing them at 703-742-4239 or by emailing them at service@studentclearinghouse.org.

Tighter Collection Practices

You may have heard that we, like all other SUNY employees across the state, are tightening our belts and looking much closer at our expenses. Why? The State budget is tighter and, as a state institution, our share of

the allocation is smaller. Besides cutting costs, we're also working harder at our collection efforts.

One example of these efforts pertains to account balances less than \$200. In the past, any student account balance less than \$200 only had a transcript hold on it. This hold only keeps a student from receiving grade transcripts. But in the near future, account balances less than \$200 will instead have an accounts receivable hold. An accounts receivable hold not only keeps a student from receiving grade transcripts, but it also keeps him/her from registering for classes and receiving grades online.

Obviously, we're trying to collect the \$26,000 from over 550 accounts that have less than \$200 each. By collecting this money, we will be able to help reduce some of the budgetary impact on our campus from the State's smaller allocation. We're also attempting to collect more delinquent accounts than we have in the past and to collect them faster than we ever have before.

Statistics

Of all the cash we collect in the Bursar's Office, 64 percent of it is in the form of currency and checks, 31 percent is from Discover, MasterCard and Visa payments and the remaining 5 percent is in the form of wire transfers. Two years ago, we received 73 percent of our payments by currency and checks, so the trend is moving slightly away from currency and checks and more toward credit card payments and wire transfers.

For this fall semester, the Bursar's Office staff printed and distributed 6,485 student invoices with earned tuition and fees totaling over \$41 million (net of emergency advances and refunds).

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Five Presidential Candidates to Visit Plattsburgh State

While the first of five candidates for the position of president of Plattsburgh State visited the campus, Nov. 13 and 14, four other candidates are planning to meet with faculty, staff, students, alumni and members of the community during the next three weeks.

The first candidate for the position of president was Dr. Leslie Wong, the vice president for academic affairs at Valley City State University in Valley City, N.D.

Wong met with various groups on campus throughout the two days of meetings. He answered questions for the general public, faculty, staff and alumni during an open forum on Thursday (Nov. 13) afternoon. He later met with students and Student Association leaders in another forum that evening.

Wong has served in his current position since 1999. He began his academic career as a psychology instructor at Pierce College in Tacoma, Wash. in 1974.

Wong accepted an appointment as a member of the faculty as Evergreen State College, in Olympia, Wash., in 1988. He was promoted to academic dean in 1990 and served in that position for the next six years until he was named provost and academic vice president at the University of Southern Colorado, Pueblo, Colo. in 1996. In January 1997, he was also appointed interim president for six months while the governing board searched for a new president.

Wong holds a bachelor's of arts degree in psychology from Gonzaga University (Spokane, Wash.), a master's in

experimental psychology from Eastern Washington University (Cheney, Wash.) and a Ph.D. in educational psychology from Washington State University (Pullman, Wash.).

Wong's visit will be followed by four other candidates. While the name of the last candidate to interview Dec. 3 and 4 is being withheld until later this month, the three other individuals and the dates they will be coming to campus are: Robert E. Golden, Ph.D., provost and vice president for academic affairs at Plattsburgh State (Monday - Tuesday, Nov. 17 - 18); Richard J. Collings, Ph.D., vice chancellor for academic affairs, Western Carolina University, N.C. (Thursday - Friday, Nov. 20 - 21); and John Ettling, Ph.D., provost/vice president for academic affairs, University of North Dakota at Grand Forks (Monday - Tuesday, Dec. 1 - 2).

Golden was named provost and vice president for academic affairs at Plattsburgh State in spring 2002. He came to Plattsburgh State from Keene State College (N.H.) where he had served as vice president of academic affairs from 1995 to 2002.

Prior to joining Keene State, Dr. Golden served as a dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at Shippensburg University (Pa.) (1989-1995). He also held several positions during his tenure at Rochester Institute of Technology (1971-1989) including professor and chair of

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Upward Bound Receives Funding for Existing and New Programs

The Upward Bound Program at Plattsburgh State will be increasing the number of high school students it will provide services to in Clinton, Essex and Franklin counties for at least the next four years.

Elaine Leavitt, director of the program, said that the local Upward Bound program has received notification that it has been awarded a total of \$767,941 each year for the next four years to provide service for 163 high school students in ninth through twelfth grades.

The U.S. Department of Education will fund the base program at

\$567,941 each year to continue providing academic assistance for 113 students in 16 schools throughout the three rural northeastern New York counties.

After repeated requests from high school officials at six other school districts in Essex and lower Franklin counties to include some of their students in the Upward Bound program, a new separate grant request was submitted.



Upward Bound students go on an Adirondack adventure this past summer.

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Nursing Program Receives 10-Year Accreditation

The baccalaureate degree program in nursing at Plattsburgh State has received formal accreditation from the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) for a period of 10 years through Dec. 31, 2013.

David Curry, chair of the Department of Nursing, said it was wonderful news. "The nursing department is very pleased with the 10-year accreditation from CCNE," said Curry. "This will certainly strengthen the opportunities for our nursing students considering graduate school for their master's degrees."

Dr. Robert Golden, provost and vice president for academic affairs, said that the recent accreditation is proof of the high-caliber nursing faculty and staff who educate the students in this program.

"The nursing program at Plattsburgh State was one of 44 programs reviewed this year by CCNE, and one of only 26 to receive 10-year accreditation," said Golden. "The recent accreditation by CCNE validates the high quality of our nursing program."

CCNE is an autonomous accrediting agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education. At its October meeting, the CCNE Board of Commissioners determined that the Plattsburgh State nursing program met all four accreditation standards.

Accreditation by CCNE, said Curry, is proof that the nursing program meets or exceeds the national standards in the educational preparation of nurses.

The National League of Nursing Accrediting Commission (NLNAC) has accredited the nursing program at Plattsburgh State since the program's inception in 1965.

The faculty decided several years ago to seek accreditation from CCNE since CCNE's accreditation process was tailored more to baccalaureate-nursing programs than NLNAC.

A team within the nursing department, led by Professor Zoanne Schnell and Associate Professor Lisa Wells, conducted two-years of preliminary work evaluating courses, reviewing student outcomes and preparing the selfstudy.

In April 2003, an evaluation team from CCNE visited the campus for a three-day accreditation site review. The group toured the campus facilities and two clinical sites -- CVPH Medical Center and Clinton County Health Department.

"While the process of self-study was arduous, the improvements to the curriculum are welcomed by the faculty," said Curry.

A progress report will be required in 2008 to address compliance with all accreditation standards.

The nursing program is seeing growth in its enrollment. There are 252 students enrolled this fall. That's the highest enrollment of nursing majors since 1997 when there were 302.

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The Federal government has granted Upward Bound an additional \$200,000 to establish a similar but separate program, called the Adirondack Schools Upward Bound Program.

It will provide service for 50 students in the Crown Point, Lake Placid, Saranac Lake, St. Regis Falls, Ticonderoga and Tupper Lake school districts.

"These school districts are in a different climatic area than the others schools currently participating in Upward Bound. We believed it was best to establish a separate program for their students who meet the guidelines," said Leavitt.

The six school districts, which had previously participated in Upward Bound when it was established at Plattsburgh State in 1965, but had left due to fiscal constraints, could not be included in the existing program.

"It was necessary for us to develop this new program if we were to provide Upward Bound for their students," said Leavitt.

Cathy Russell, a school counselor at Crown Point Central School, said they are really excited to hear that the new program would be funded.

"Many students here have parents who have never had the opportunity to go to college. We believe Upward Bound will prove to be a good opportunity for some of these families."

The proportion of high school students in Clinton, Essex and Franklin counties continuing their education at postsecondary institutions is low compared to state

and national averages, and the school and community support available to low-income, potentially first-generation college students is limited.

Upward Bound identifies students in high schools who come from low-income families and works with these students.

The eight full-time staff members travel to the 22 schools in the program throughout the academic year to meet with the students to academically assess and develop goal plans for each participant.

In the summer, the students participate in a fulfilled and academically-oriented six-week summer program at Plattsburgh State.

During the past 34 years, Upward Bound at Plattsburgh State has seen magnificent results. Leavitt said more than 89 percent of the participants transfer into or continue in the college preparatory curriculum and nearly the same number engage in motivational education, career, cultural, leadership and civic opportunities.

At least 85 percent of each entering Upward Bound class remains in the program, and at least 98 percent of the program's seniors eventually graduate from high school.

Leavitt attributes some of the program's success to the commitment of Plattsburgh State. "We have been here at Plattsburgh State since 1965. That's got to say a lot about the commitment of this campus to the community's youth."

Community Web Visibility Study

A team of communication researchers at Plattsburgh State is about to release data showing that the Internet presence of many communities in the North Country has not been keeping up with the growth of the World Wide Web.

In an article to appear in the fall issue of the *Adirondack Journal of Environmental Studies* (AJES), the Community Web Visibility (CWV) project team reveals that certain communities in the region demonstrate superior Web visibility, while others are clearly lagging.

The Community Web Visibility project team is Dr. Elizabeth R. Bernat, Tim Clukey, and Dr. Jonathan R. Slater, all assistant professors of communication.

In the article, titled "Tracking the Web Visibility of North Country Communities," the project team asserts that Web visibility has direct implications for a community's identity both online and in the physical world.

Low visibility and an ill-defined virtual identity, the article concludes, can be harmful to a community's economic development efforts and hurt its prospects for a sustainable future in an age of personalized, digital media.

The article summarizes three years of findings from of an ongoing study that is entering its second phase this fall.

CWV project researcher Tim Clukey announced that the CWV



Clukey, Slater and Bernat

team will soon be compiling in-depth Web profiles of all the communities under study, and that an intensive outreach effort to a number of communities will begin in spring 2004.

The CWV team held a briefing for several civic leaders in June 2003 and "our team is already holding productive dialogues with a handful of community organizations," Clukey revealed.

The initial community Web visibility research, according to Clukey, "sprang from the sincere belief that there is a substantial connection between a community's collective, online growth and its ability to attract tourists, to induce people to settle there and to spur business development."

Since 2000, the team has been investigating what Web users see when they search for local community information online. The project has been funded by grants and other awards offered by Plattsburgh State.

Byrne College Council Room to be Dedicated Nov. 19

Plattsburgh State will officially dedicate the Wayne H. Byrne College Council Room during a special ceremony on Wednesday, Nov. 19 at 4 p.m. in the Frances and Hyman Krinovitz Recital Hall in Hawkins Hall.

Wayne Byrne was appointed to the Plattsburgh State College Council in 1969 by then-Governor Nelson Rockefeller and was re-appointed to the council four times by Governors Malcolm Wilson, Hugh Carey, Mario Cuomo and George Pataki. He served for nearly 20 years as chair of the council's Budget Committee and was the council's liaison to the Faculty

Senate and the Art Gallery and Collections Committee.

He also served twice on the self-study committees in preparation of the accreditation evaluation process conducted by the Middle State Association.

Byrne will be remembered at the ceremony by several speakers including Robert Garrow, College Council chair, Robert Booth, former College Council member, and Margaret Byrne, his wife.

The ceremony will be followed by the unveiling of a plaque, a ribbon-cutting and a short reception. Members of the campus and community are invited to attend.

Gospel Choir Concert Set For Nov. 22

The Plattsburgh State University Gospel Choir will present a Fall Gospel Concert on Saturday, Nov. 22 at 6 p.m. in the E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium, Hawkins Hall.

The concert will also feature the PPP Step Team, Praise Team and Praise Dancers.

The choir, under the direction of Dr. Dexter L. Criss, will perform music by John P. Kee, Angela Spivey, Kirk Franklin and Walter Hawkins. The Step Team and Praise Dancers will dance to gospel chants and music.

Presale tickets are \$8 for general admission and \$3 for Student Association members and students (5-18) and are available at the Angell College Center Information Desk and at Imagine That Toys and Resource Center, 11 Plattsburgh Plaza in Plattsburgh.

Tickets will also be available at the door for \$10 for general admission and \$5 for SA members and students (5-18).

More information is available by contacting Dexter Criss at 564-2700 or Sally Urban at 564-5078.

Celebration of Scholarship to Highlight Faculty, Staff Accomplishments

The campus and community are invited to join in celebration honoring academic and professional members of Plattsburgh State for their scholarly accomplishments for the 2002-2003 academic year during the second Celebration of Scholarship on Thursday, Nov. 20, 4 - 5:30 p.m. in the Flynt Commons, Angell College Center.

Books, articles and exhibition materials by faculty and staff will be on display, and there will be remarks by Dr. John Clark, the interim college president, and Dr. Robert Golden, provost and vice president for academic affairs.

Refreshments will be served at the event, which is free and open to the public.

Plattsburgh State Speakers Challenged by Larger Forensic Teams

Expecting to do battle with several Division III teams at tournaments at Nassau Community College and Suffolk Community College Nov. 2-3, the rejuvenated Plattsburgh State Forensic Team instead found itself pegged against Division I and II college public speaking teams for its first two competitions.

Forensic coaches Nora and Al Montanaro said that the team made an excellent showing, considering the quality of the competition.

"I was hoping to ease our young team into a couple of moderately difficult tournaments when a few of the biggest programs in the country wandered in to spoil our season debut," said Nora Montanaro.

"However, our team managed to beat two of the Division II schools (The Ohio University and Cal State) and all the division III schools with the exception of Cornell University (last year's Division III National Champions)."

The Division I and II teams were from George Mason University (Va.), James Madison University (W.Va.), The Ohio University, Cornell, NYU, Saint Joseph's, Seton Hall and California State University.

Led by senior marketing major Matt Iscoe, the young Plattsburgh team emerged "bloodied but unbowed" from the fierce foray of top drawer speakers and readers.

Iscoe took fifth place in Prose Interpretation, seventh in Duo Interpretation of Drama with his partner, Katie Line (a mass communication major), seventh in Poetry Interpretation and ranked among the top 10 in After Dinner speaking.

Marvelle Roberts (a math major) finished sixth in Poetry Interpretation while LaToya Alexander (an accounting major) took sixth place in Communication Analysis at the Nassau tournament.

The team of Iscoe and Line settled for seventh in the Dramatic Duo competition, and Julie Heggman (a math major) placed among the top ten in the tournaments' largest event, Impromptu Speaking at the Suffolk tournament.

Marica Blackmoore (a biochemistry major) also placed seventh in Poetry Interpretation at the Nassau tournament.

"We're extremely excited about the talent and quality of our Plattsburgh State team," said Al Montanaro. "We're confident the team will be a formidable force at the regional and state tournaments in the Spring. Our team is certainly 'bright with promise'."

Team members will showcase their public speaking abilities at a special performance for the campus and community on Thursday, Nov. 20 at 5:15 p.m. in the Cardinal Lounge, Angell College Center.

Presidential Candidates(Continued from Page 1)

the Language, Literature, and Communication Division; project director, Personal Computer Task Force; director, Kern Program on "The Moving Image"; and associate dean of the College of Liberal Arts.

He received his bachelor of arts degree in history from the University of Michigan and his master's and doctoral degrees in English and American literature from the University of Rochester.

Collings has served in his current position since 1996 as vice chancellor for academic affairs and professor of political science and public affairs at Western Carolina University.

He began his academic career in 1975 as a part-time instructor of political science at Tulane University. In 1977, he was appointed professor of political science at Southeast Missouri State University (SMSU). Two years later, he was named chairperson of the political science department before being named assistant provost at SMSU in 1985.

Collings was appointed dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences at Kutztown University (Pa.) in 1989 and was later named provost and vice president for academic affairs in 1991.

He holds a bachelor's degree in international studies from the University of Louisville, a master's in Latin American studies and a doctorate in political science from Tulane University. He is also a past participant in the Harvard University Institute for Educational Management.

Ettling has served as provost/vice president for aca-

demic affairs at the University of North Dakota (UND) since 1998 when he was originally appointed interim vice president - a position he held for nearly two years. Prior to his current appointment, he served as dean of the College of Arts and Sciences from 1995 until 1998.

He has previously served at the University of Houston (UH) as a faculty member, professor and chair of the History Department and later as associate dean of the Honors College at UH.

Ettling is the recipient of a bachelor of arts degree summa cum laude from the University of Virginia along with a master's and doctorate from Harvard University.

Robert Garrow, chair of the presidential search committee, said the committee was pleased with the five candidates selected for campus visits and is encouraging participation by the campus community at the planned open forums.

"Since the start of this search, I personally have been very pleased with the candidacy pool," said Garrow. "I know that the search committee members feel we have selected some top notch individuals to bring to campus."

Garrow encouraged members of the community to attend the open forums scheduled. "The open forums are a great opportunity for members of the community to meet the five candidates," said Garrow. "Each individual will express their own reasons for wanting to lead Plattsburgh State and answer questions from those in attendance. We are looking for feedback from the community-at-large, so I would encourage everyone to attend."

Documentary Produced by Lee

A documentary produced by a visiting assistant professor of communications at Plattsburgh State will be broadcast on Mountain Lake PBS Monday, Nov. 24.

Jeeyoun Kathy Lee's production of "The Reflections on the Little Bighorn" will air at 10:30 p.m. Monday Nov. 24 following "Ken Burns: American Stories 'The West: Fight No More Forever (1874-1877).'"

The documentary is about the Battle of the Little Bighorn from June 1876 and covers the prelude, battle and the aftermath through interviews of Native Americans as well as historians. It unravels what really happened on the Little Bighorn.

Lee has produced several documentaries, including the Battle of the Little Bighorn, which was aired on several education television stations across the country.

Lee also worked with ABC Sports for numerous sporting events. Her interests lie in the field of TV production and she is currently involved in research of international broadcast technology.

She holds a bachelor's and a master's degree from the University of Nebraska at Lincoln.



Lee



Dr. Carrie Harris (right), professor emerita of human resources, was recently honored by the Hudson Valley Dietetic Association and the Student Dietetic Association at Plattsburgh State for her 50 years to the professor of dietetics. Harris taught at Plattsburgh State from 1977 to 1998 and also served as director of transfer services for two years prior to her retirement. She was presented the award by Jodi Denton Land, a 1993 Plattsburgh State alumna and register dietitian at Sunmont Developmental Center in Tupper Lake.

Spotlight

on faculty and staff



LaBarre



Mowry



Robbins

Vicki LaBarre, marketing specialist for lifelong learning, was awarded The James C. Hall Exemplary Program Award for Course Catalog/Brochure for 2002-2003 at the annual CEA/NY (Continuing Education Association of New York) conference, Oct. 22 in Geneva, N.Y. The James C. Hall Exemplary Program Awards recognize innovative and effective programming and marketing activities. The Course Catalog/Brochure award was based not only on the design of the brochure, but also the target markets, distribution methods,

costs, and effectiveness of the brochure. LaBarre has served as marketing specialist for nearly three years.

Dr. David Mowry, distinguished teaching professor of philosophy and director of the Honors Center, has been appointed chair of the editorial board of SUNY Press. Mowry was appointed to the Editorial Board last year. He will serve in that capacity for up to three years.

Dr. Richard Robbins, distinguished professor of anthropology, gave the opening lecture, titled "Activism and the Decline

of Democracy," in the Rochester Institute of Technology's Gannett Lecture Series on Sept. 25. The series, begun in 1984 when Provost Robert Golden has included such speakers as Cornell West, Benjamin Barber, and Vandana Shiva. In addition, a chapter in Professor Robbins' book, *Global Problems and the Culture of Capitalism* (2nd edition) on Disease, has been included in the book *Population Bomb-Myth or Reality*, edited by Laura Huggins and Hanna Skandera and published by the Hoover Institute at Stanford University.

FOCUS Calendar

Monday, Nov. 17 - Tuesday, Dec. 9

For information on weekly meetings and other upcoming events, check the Plattsburgh State Web Calendar at: <http://banweb.cc.plattsburgh.edu/banprd/plsql/events.calendar>

MONDAY, NOV. 17

12 p.m. SA Meet the Candidates. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

5:30 p.m. Panurgy Microsoft Informational Meeting, sponsored by Lifelong Learning. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

7 p.m. North Country Folks for Howard Dean. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

TUESDAY, NOV. 18

10 a.m. International Education Fair, sponsored by International Education. Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms.

11 a.m. CVPB Blood Drive, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

12 p.m. The Great Debate at High Noon -- Globalization, sponsored by International Education. Angell College Center Amnesty Room.

12:15 p.m. Students For Direct Democracy Speaker Series. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

4 p.m. ETA Fall Initiation Ceremony, sponsored by School of Business & Economics. The Hyman and Frances Krinovitz Recital Hall.

4:30 p.m. Tuesday Reflections, presents Dr. Margarita Garcia Notario speaking on "Deep Ecology and Education: Rethinking our Relationship with Nature." Sponsored by the Office of the Dean of Arts and Science. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

5 p.m. Order of Omega Inductions, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Warren Ballroom A.

7:30 p.m. Visual Artist Series, sponsored by Art Department. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 19

11 a.m. Career Development Center Fall 2003 Workshop, presents "Developing a Job

Portfolio." Kehoe Conference Room, First Floor.

12 p.m. Guest Speaker -- Jeremiah Mackey, sponsored by Marketing Association. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

6 p.m. Panel Presentation, "How Different Religions Can Live Together In Peace," sponsored by the Political Science Department. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

8 p.m. Chamber Ensembles II Concert, sponsored by Music Department. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

THURSDAY, NOV. 20

10:30 a.m. Great American Smokeout Information Table, sponsored by Student Health Services. Angell College Center Lobby 6.

12 p.m. Career Development Center Fall 2003 Workshop, presents "Organizing an Effective Job Search." Kehoe Conference Room, First Floor.

12:15 p.m. Greek New Member Workshop, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Amnesty Room.

12:20 p.m. Women's Studies Forum, presents "Bountiful Table: Laurie Hoefer, Julie Bergdahl and Maureen Bradish -- Implications of Faith-Based Programs For and Toward Women." Sponsored by the Women's Studies Program with assistance from CAS. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

6 p.m. Talk by Dr. Ehman, sponsored by Environmental Action Committee. The Hyman and Frances Krinovitz Recital Hall.

8 p.m. College Theatre Assoc. "A Night of Durang", Student Production: Tickets \$2 at the door only. Studio Theatre, Myers Fine Arts Building.

9:15 p.m. Organization Affairs Board Meeting, sponsored by Student Association. Angell College Center Meeting Room 1.

FRIDAY, NOV. 21

8 a.m. Explore Psychiatry Day Conference, sponsored by College Auxiliary Services. Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms.

12:30 p.m. Jazz Piano/Percussion Workshops, Music guests Tom Cleary, piano and Jeff Salisbury, percussion along with Dr. Rick Davies conduct workshops. All welcome. The Hyman and Frances Krinovitz Recital Hall.

7 p.m. Northcountry Planetarium Fall Show, presents "Winter Ephemeris 2003." Tickets: \$2 per person, on sale at the Angell Center Information Desk. For more information, call 564-3168. Hudson Hall Planetarium.

8 p.m. College Theatre Assoc. "A Night of Durang", Student Production: Tickets \$2 at the door only. Studio Theatre, Myers Fine Arts Building.

8 p.m. Jazz Fest Concert, sponsored by the Music Department. Admission is FREE and open to the public. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

8:30 p.m. Northcountry Planetarium Fall Show, presents "Winter Ephemeris 2003." Tickets: \$2 per person, on sale at the Angell Center Information Desk. For more information, call 564-3168. Hudson Hall Planetarium.

SATURDAY, NOV. 22

6 p.m. PSU Gospel Choir Concert. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

8 p.m. College Theatre Assoc. "A Night of Durang", Student Production: Tickets \$2 at the door only. Studio Theatre, Myers Fine Arts Building.

10 p.m. PSU Late Night, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms.

SUNDAY, NOV. 23

8 p.m. SA Sunday Night Film Series, presents "Lara Croft

Tomb Raider -- The Cradle of Life." Tickets: free for SA, \$2 faculty/staff and \$3 general public, available at the Angell Center Information Desk. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

MONDAY, NOV. 24

10 a.m. Career Development Center Fall 2003 Workshop, presents "Applying to Graduate Schools." Kehoe Conference Room, First Floor.

12 p.m. NYS DEC Teleconference, sponsored by College Auxiliary Services. Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms.

4 p.m. Open Forum on Proposed Statagic Plan, for International Education, sponsored by the Office of International Education. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

7 p.m. SOULfood Movie Productions, sponsored by SOUL. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

8 p.m. Chamber Ensembles Concert, sponsored by Music Department. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

TUESDAY, NOV. 25

12:15 p.m. Students For Direct Democracy Speaker Series. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

3 p.m. Council on International Education meeting. Angell College Center Meeting Room 1.

4:30 p.m. Monthly Faculty Senate Executive Committee Meeting. Angell College Center Meeting Room 1.

10 p.m. Classes end for Thanksgiving Break

SUNDAY, NOV. 30

12 p.m. Residence Halls reopen.

MONDAY, DEC. 1

8 a.m. Classes resume.

10 a.m. Career Development Center Fall 2003 Workshop,

presents "Organizing an Effective Job Search." Kehoe Conference Room, First Floor.

10:30 a.m. World AIDS Week Information, sponsored by SOUL. Angell College Center Lobby 2.

TUESDAY, DEC. 2

8 a.m. World Aids Week Events, sponsored by SOUL. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

8 a.m. Names Project AIDS Quilt Panel Display, sponsored by SOUL. Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms.

10:30 a.m. World AIDS Week Information, sponsored by SOUL. Angell College Center Lobby 2.

11 a.m. CVPB Blood Drive, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

12:15 p.m. Students For Direct Democracy Speaker Series. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

1 p.m. Career Development Center Fall 2003 Workshop, presents "Delivering a Dynamic Interview." Kehoe Conference Room, First Floor.

1:30 p.m. World Aids Week Events, sponsored by SOUL. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

7 p.m. Performance Class II, Applied Music Students perform. Free and all welcome. The Hyman and Frances Krinovitz Recital Hall.

7 p.m. SOULfood Movie Productions, sponsored by SOUL. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 3

8 a.m. Names Project AIDS Quilt Panel Display, sponsored by SOUL. Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms.

7 p.m. Gamma Theta Upsilon Honor Society Induction, sponsored by Geography Department. Angell College Center Amnesty Room.

7 p.m. North Country Folks for Dean. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

7 p.m. SOULfood Movie Productions, sponsored by SOUL. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

7:30 p.m. Guitar Ensemble

Concert, Michael Frattino, director. Music Guitar ensemble perform free concert. All Welcome. The Hyman and Frances Krinovitz Recital Hall.

7:30 p.m. The Mystical Arts of Tibet, sponsored by Dean of Students. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

THURSDAY, DEC. 4

12:20 p.m. Women's Studies Forum, presents "A Celebration of Graduating Students and Seasonal Reflections from a Feminist Eye," sponsored by the Women's Studies Program with assistance from CAS. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

12:30 p.m. Janice Kyle, Oboe Recital, sponsored by Music Department. The Hyman and Frances Krinovitz Recital Hall.

4:30 p.m. Jeopardy Challenge, sponsored by Learning Center. Angell College Center Warren Ballroom A.

6 p.m. Guest Speaker -- Jeff Cochran, sponsored by Environmental Action Committee. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

9:15 p.m. Organization Affairs Board Meeting, sponsored by Student Association. Angell College Center Amnesty Room.

FRIDAY, DEC. 5

4 p.m. ODK Meeting. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

7 p.m. Northcountry Planetarium Fall Show, presents "Director's Choice -- Show topic to be announced." Tickets: \$2 per person, on sale at the Angell Center Information Desk. For more information, call 564-3168. Hudson Hall Planetarium.

7 p.m. El Pueblo Fashion Show. Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms.

8:30 p.m. Northcountry Planetarium Fall Show, presents "Director's Choice -- Show topic to be announced." Tickets: \$2 per person, on sale at the Angell Center Information Desk. For more information, call 564-3168. Hudson Hall Planetarium.

SATURDAY, DEC. 6

9 a.m. Defensive Driving

Course, sponsored by the Student Association. Sign-up at the SA Office, 2nd Floor Angell College Center, 564-3200. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

4 p.m. Omicron Delta Kappa Induction Ceremony. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

6 p.m. Galilean Society Movie Series. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

8 p.m. Choral Union and CVOS Concert, sponsored by the Music Department. Tickets: \$1 SA, other ticket prices TBA, on sale at the door or from CVOS members. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

10 p.m. PSU Late Night Comedian, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms.

MONDAY, DEC. 8

9 a.m. Alzheimers Disease & Related Disorders Conference, sponsored by the Alzheimers Association. Conference Fee: \$10 SA Members, \$30 faculty/staff and public. Contact the Alzheimers Center at 564-3370 to register. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

TUESDAY, DEC. 9

12:15 p.m. Students For Direct Democracy Speaker Series, sponsored by Students for Direct Democracy. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

4:30 p.m. Faculty Senate Monthly Meeting. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.



The Tibetan Monks from the Drepung Loseling Monastery are coming to Plattsburgh State Wednesday, Dec. 3 to perform traditional temple music and musical masked dances as part of their "Sacred Music Sacred Dance for World Healing" tour. The multiphonic singers will perform in the E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium, Hawkins Hall at 7:30 p.m. The performance is free and open to the campus and community. The Tibetan Monks will also hold a 4:30 p.m. lecture in the Plattsburgh Room, Angell College Center prior to their evening performance. The lecture, title "Medication: A Tool of Conscious Living," will focus on how this important technique quiets the mind and establishes an inner basis of clarity and well being. The lecture is free and open to the public.

Enter The Haggis Live! to be Filmed at Plattsburgh State Dec. 4, 5

Enter The Haggis, an explosive Celtic-rock quintet based in Toronto, Canada, will use the Hartman Theatre at Plattsburgh State as a backdrop for a video to be filmed during two live concerts on Thursday and Friday, Dec. 4 and 5.

The Student Association Activities Coordination Board is working with Adirondack Productions to produce the video, which will be aired nationwide on the Public Broadcasting System possibly during the local stations' telethons in March 2004.



Enter the Haggis

able to offer this type of event to the student body. Hopefully, the publicity from this will help show the students and community the positive side to college life at Plattsburgh State.

Enter The Haggis performed to a crowd of several thousand people during the Mayor's Cup festival last July. The band combines the traditional sounds of the highland bagpipe and fiddle with a powerhouse rhythm section and strong vocals to create an infectious hybrid of old and new. Their raucous live shows have made them a favorite at festivals and clubs across North America since their conception in 1996.

Fans and concertgoers will be able to attend the two concerts, which will be held on Thursday and Friday, Dec. 4 and 5 at 8 p.m. both nights in the Hartman Theatre, Myers Fine Arts Building. Seating is limited to 350 per night, and doors open at 7 p.m.

Tickets for each performance are \$10 for the general public and \$3 for S.A. members and are available at the Angell College Center Information Desk or can be reserved online at www.emediacentral.net/pbs

More information about the band is available online at www.enterthehaggis.com

Student Ambassadors Represent the College with Style

Ever since the program was offered in the fall of 1996, the Student Ambassador Program has blossomed tremendously to include 20 academic majors. Over the years, they have continued to represent the student body of Plattsburgh State and serve as a rich source of information for its visiting alumni.

Junior Lyndelle Lebruin, a first-year ambassador, said that she is normally asked: What it is to be a student at Plattsburgh State today? However, with her training in tour guide skills, campus history and data as well as professional etiquette, she can confidently answer such questions.

Although they are mainly affiliated with Alumni Affairs, Student Ambassadors are also available to help all other offices and programs on campus in hosting guests. They are known to all by the red and white ambassador Polo shirts they wear for informal programs or their navy blue ambassador blazers at formal programs.

According to senior Justin Elmendorf, a third-year ambassador, he received an invitation to be an ambassador his freshman year and signed up because he wanted to be more involved on campus. Also his orientation leader, Jennifer Niles, talked to him about the program.

"There are so many opportunities given through the program that not many students have," said Elmendorf.

As ambassadors, they host luncheons, give tours and escort visitors at important college events such as Family Weekend, Homecoming Weekend as well as the Distinguished Visiting Alumni Program.

Elmendorf regrets that he wasn't involved in this year's Golden Anniversary Reception, which recognizes the reunion of alumni 50 years and more.

"I have met some really cool people and heard inter-

esting stories about Hawkins Hall," Elmendorf said. "They are proud to be Alumni, and they make you proud to be a student."

"It's a wonderful program," said Rose Anderson, executive director of the Plattsburgh Alumni Association. "Students get to network with alumni, and the alumni get to witness their school's achievements even after they had graduated."

One goal is to connect students with alumni of all ages and provide a network for students with job and internship possibilities.

Junior Daniela Paliderova, a second-year ambassador, said some of the benefits of being apart of the program is the experience she gets from meeting and talking with different people.

"I like that what we do is voluntary," said Paliderova. "I have the option of doing what I can when I can."

Lebruin says that she takes pride in her school and being an ambassador. She is more aware of what a great school Plattsburgh State really is. She enjoys assisting during Homecoming Weekend because she has learned to be bold and outgoing. At times, she has been called upon to address a room full of people, which has helped her public speaking skills as well.

Tonya Lackey, assistant to Alumni Affairs and coordinator of the Student Ambassador Program, said that the ambassadors are a credit to the college and hopes for continuous success. She is constantly trying to find new ways that the students as well as the school can benefit more from their joint effort to promote achievements and enlighten the alums.

-- by Kaidian Smith, communications intern

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Rockwell Kent Collection of Paintings Expands

With the addition of 14 more paintings by the artist, the collection of Rockwell Kent paintings at Plattsburgh State rivals any other known collection in the United States.

The Rockwell Kent Gallery now boasts a solid collection of 33 paintings that span the life of the American artist. The recent additions to the collection were part of a major bequest from the estate of Shirley "Sally" Kent Gorton to the Plattsburgh College Foundation. She passed away in May 2000.

Edward Brohel, director of the Plattsburgh State Art Museum, said the latest additions to the collection show the diversity of the artist.

"Some of them are small, intimate idea paintings, and others are full-fledged complete works," said Brohel. "Our collection has been weighted in Adirondack works. Fortunately, this last gift from the estate contains works that spanned his whole career, particularly some of the early paintings from 1900 to about 1920."

Prior to the Foundation receiving the bequest of the paintings, art works and other personal materials, 11 of the paintings were in the personal collection of Kent Gorton, which was kept at Asgaard Farms near Ausable Forks.

The other three paintings had been for sale to Kent collectors at the Kennedy Gallery (New York City). They



Left to right: David Driver, Edward Brohel, Dr. John Clark and Marguerite Eisinger.

are now permanently on exhibition in the Kent Gallery, and Brohel believes they will better help the public understand the emotions Kent endured during his life.

"The paintings had a lot of sentimental value to Sally and Rockwell Kent and were important punctuation points in the development of his ideas and elements of his life," said Brohel. "They show the stylistic variations and the understanding of the emotional base for Kent's work. In this group of paintings there is more of an

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Winter Commencement Features Nazia Habib: Student Speaker

Winter Commencement is set for Saturday, Dec. 13 at 11 a.m. in the Field House. More than 690 Plattsburgh State students are eligible to receive bachelors and master's degrees and certificates of advanced study during the graduation exercises.



Habib

Nazia Habib, a business economics major with a minor in accounting and business analysis from Bangladesh, will be the student speaker during commencement.

"I was the gold medallist on the higher secondary school certification exam in my country. It's like the SATs. As a reward, my dad said he would send me abroad to school," said Habib. "We met a SUNY agent

during an education fair, and he told us about Plattsburgh State."

Habib said her father was skeptical especially when he heard, "New York," and pictured the big city. She and her father ended up buying two plane tickets and came to Plattsburgh to visit the campus.

"After the trip, we were both very satisfied. I came to Plattsburgh State that spring."

She is finishing up a full semester with 25 course credit hours and six research credits. Her near future goals include graduate school, and she is also looking into several job opportunities.

"I have a few projects on my mind as well. I'm interested in maybe going to Nicaragua and looking at the coffee production and farmers. I'm going home to Bangladesh in March and I would like to see if CEOs and presidents of

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AIDS Memorial Quilt Displayed at Plattsburgh State

In conjunction with World AIDS Day 2003, part of the AIDS Memorial Quilt was on display for part of the first week of December in the Warren Ballrooms, Angell College Center.

Twenty blocks, each comprised of eight individual panels, of the AIDS Memorial Quilt were on display. The Student Association group SOUL worked to bring the Quilt to campus. SOUL is the Student Association Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgendered, Queer,



Questioning and Ally Activism Organization, which organizes and participates in a wide variety of activities relevant to issues that affect the community.

The AIDS Memorial Quilt Opening Ceremony (left) included welcome messages from Dr. John Clark, interim president, and Tim Sarrantonio, Student Association president. The ceremony featured keynote speaker Brendan Fay, an Irish gay activist. The Plattsburgh State Gospel Choir sang as the AIDS Memorial Quilt was unfolded.

In June 1987, a small group of strangers gathered in a San Francisco storefront to document the lives they feared history would neglect. Their goal was to create a memorial for those who had died of AIDS and to thereby help people understand the devastating impact of the disease. This meeting of devoted friends and lovers served as the foundation of the NAMES Project AIDS Memorial Quilt.

Today, the Quilt is a powerful visual reminder of the AIDS pandemic. More than 44,000 individual 3-by-6-foot memorial panels - each one commemorating the life of someone who had died of AIDS - have been sewn together by friends, lovers and family members.

Grandson Presents Special Collections Historical Tribute to Moses Rabideau

Donald E. Jackson, a 1958 Plattsburgh State graduate and a retired elementary school administrator in the Montgomery County (Md.) public schools, presents Debra Kimok, Special Collections librarian, with "A Memorial Tribute to Moses Joseph Rabideau, 1864 - 1946, Volumes I and II", which he recently donated to Special Collections.

Jackson is the grandson of Moses Rabideau who was a French-Canadian Plattsburgh resident, prolific builder and contractor and an active member of the St. Jean de Baptist Association at St. Peter's Church.

Rabideau owned land and built several homes on a significant portion of Rugar Street that eventually became part of the Plattsburgh State campus.



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businesses would like to sponsor a conference on jobs," said Habib.

She is also going to Austin, Texas in February to present a paper, "Food Insecurity in Nicaragua," at the 24th Annual ILASSA Conference on Latin America. The paper is a result of a research project for the Honors Program.

Habib is a member of a number of honor societies including Phi Eta Sigma, Beta Eta Gamma, Phi Eta Sigma, Omicron Delta Kappa,

Economics Honor Society and the American Scholar Honor Society.

She has been the president of Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE) and president of the Economics Club. She has been active in the Student Association, Academic Advising Board, Project HELP and the Learning Center. She is a peer advisor for EOP, which she described as a great experience.

"I will have a warm and fuzzy feeling with an ice cold sparkle dur-

ing graduation," said Habib. "My heart will raise and drop as I change my tassel from one side to another.

"Plattsburgh State has become my second motherland, and I have a strong connection to Plattsburgh. I'm excited that I'm graduating, but I'm feeling a little emptiness that I'm leaving. I think I'm an example of how my fellow students feel -- we all have these mixed feelings. I want to tell my peers, 'Don't forget where you come from,'" said Habib.

Domenico Leads Plattsburgh State's Retention Efforts

Retention of students has always been an important issue on any college campus, including Plattsburgh State. With continuing budget constraints, retention efforts have become even more important.

"The cost of education is increasing, the cost of recruiting students is increasing, so it behooves campuses to retain students," said Dr. Raymond Domenico, director of retention planning and programs.

Domenico has put together several task forces to look at retention efforts including the Freshman Experience Program, the Foundations of Excellence in First College Year Programs and the Retention Council Research Committee.

The research committee has been working on a special project using process mapping methodology.

"The project is a brand new application of looking at the quality of services offered to students," said Domenico. "Process mapping finds ways of comparing what staff believe they are doing and expected outcomes to what students actually report they experience. In other words, we match our expectations with students' reality."

With its roots in the fields of marketing and management, process mapping is used to create visual models of the flow of student actions and interactions with campus constituencies providing services to students.

The committee is testing the process mapping methodology on a small scale using one specific event: students receiving mid-term grades. The outcome will be a flowchart that shows every action taken by staff and students during this specific process.

To map the process, a team has been put together and coordinated by Domenico to look at this event. The team includes members of the Registrar's Office, advisors, faculty members and students. This group, consisting of about 10 people, will come up with a map or flowchart showing from beginning to end all the processes in play for students to receive mid-term grades, from the Provost requesting mid-term grades, to

faculty receiving instructions on how to turn the grades in, to students receiving the grade.

"The group will come up with a process map to answer the question, 'How does it happen?'" said Domenico.

"Each person relates their experience and what they do in this process. The group will then create a map to show how the entire process works.

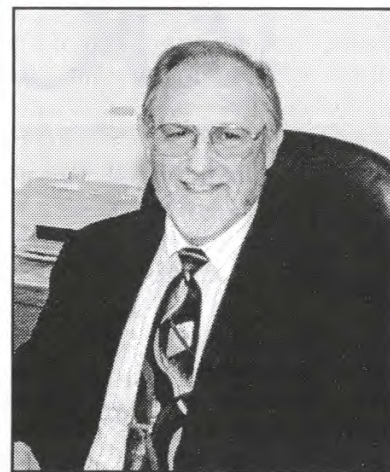
We are going through this mini process mapping exercise to see if we can get an interrelated flowchart that is a reflection of the mental understanding of the process."

The goal of process mapping is to look at these flowcharts to see the big picture. There may be shortcuts that would simplify the process.

"We don't just look at the outcomes, but also get ideas for how to do something better. Someone starts to see things from another perspective and comes up with new ideas," said Domenico. "We'll use this first exercise to do more extensive work later. In the future, we'll have several teams working at once looking at different events."

Domenico said that the focus of this project, as well as all the other retention projects, is on the quality of student learning and life with the ultimate goal of improving retention.

"It's important to have a positive work, living and learning environment for everyone on campus," said Domenico. "It's a wonderful impetus to always have high quality of services and college life experiences for students. The better that is, the more you retain students."



Domenico

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intimacy; more of the sense of his personality and feelings for places, things and people."

Dr. John Clark, interim president of Plattsburgh State, said that the educational value to art students, and particularly to the public, is priceless.

"The collection is an example of Kent's paintings for our students and will give them the sense of changes that can occur in one artist's lifetime," said Clark. "Every time I stop by and view the Kent paintings, I am always struck by something new I see in his artistic ability. The collection is so priceless, and I am delighted that Plattsburgh State's Kent Gallery is the public venue for the works of this American artistic icon."

Brohel said that while the paintings are now hanging in the collection a tremendous amount of work is still ahead on all of the materials given to the

Foundation.

"Research and information has to be gathered on each piece, particularly on how they fit into his era. We have many prints, papers and drawings by Kent. It's a sizeable amount of materials for us to get ready to exhibit, but will present a myriad of possibilities. It is being structured by the careful work of Ceil Esposito, museum organizational professional."

Brohel is ecstatic with the additions and believes it is proof that Plattsburgh State is in the Kent business for keeps. "We have an authoritative collection here of first class materials by an genuine authentic American artist. The public is invited to come and see these additional works by Rockwell Kent in their new, spectacular installation by Art Museum Preparator and Collections Manager David Driver."

focus on seniors

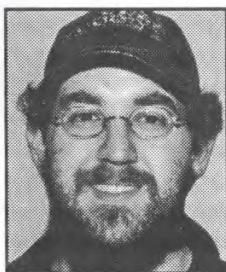
On Dec. 13, Plattsburgh State will send forth another class of graduates who are off to start the next step in their lives. Some will continue their education at institutions across the country while others will enter the workforce -- we're proud of each and every one of them and can be confident that they have a solid foundation as a result of their Plattsburgh State education. The following articles highlight a few students from the Plattsburgh State Class of 2003.

A senior geology major from Newington, Ct., **Brett Jutras** was attracted to Plattsburgh State by its vicinity to the Adirondacks and Lake Champlain.

"I like the area. What drew me here was the location. I like the feel of the area and have made great friends," said Jutras. "And, the professors, especially in geology, have been enormously helpful."

While a student, Jutras has had the opportunity to work with other students and professors on a National Science Foundation funded project studying the watersheds in the Adirondacks.

"The best part of the project for me was to see what my role is as a geologists on a project that involves a multidiscipline group working together. I have found that I work



Jutras

on the basis, the fundamental level, and others are building their work on top of that," said Jutras, who hopes to go to graduate school next fall.

"First I'll get my master's then maybe on to get a Ph.D. I'm keeping my options open, which is my whole philosophy in life," said Jutras, who is a "non-traditional" student -- an adult student who will be graduating at the age of 28.

"I'm a person who has a lot of questions and, at Plattsburgh State, I always got answers from the professors. You don't always get that," Jutras said. "I've always had interesting projects, especially working on long term papers for (Associate Professor) Mary Roden-Tice. I really learned the most out of those and the whole research aspect."

Jasmin Chambers is a Spanish major with a French minor from St. Vincent and the Grenadines.



Chambers

Following graduation, Chambers is looking forward to graduate school, possibly attending the University of Georgia where she has been offered a graduate teaching assistantship.

Her long-range goals include going back to her country to teach either French or Spanish.

"There is a need for teachers in those areas in my country. I'm looking forward to teaching these languages -- it will be a joy to share my experiences with the students," said Chambers, who said she has enjoyed

her time at Plattsburgh State. "I like it very much, except the winter. I could never say I'm cold when I go back home."

Chambers had the opportunity to attend the Universidad de Monterrey in Mexico as part of the Study Abroad Program at Plattsburgh State.

"I traveled throughout Mexico," said Chambers. "It was just an awesome experience. I took six courses, five in Spanish and one American literature course."

Chambers said that she has gotten much encouragement from the faculty at Plattsburgh.

"Professor Fernando Iturburu really helped me -- he has always encouraged me. And my advisor, Jean Ouedraogo, has been very helpful. He's very nice and always sends me emails about graduate schools."

Kristina Parker, from West Chazy, N.Y., is a history major with a museum management minor.

"I've been interested in history since about 12," said Parker, who was this year's winner of the Emily McMasters Prize for History Writing presented by the Clinton County Historical Association.



Parker

Parker's paper was about William H. Miner and the development of the Altona Flat Rock region.

She has an interesting family perspective -- her great grandfather was the very first caretaker of Flat Rock and her uncle was the last caretaker before the position was terminated.

"I wrote the piece for my junior seminar paper for Dr. Stewart Voss," said Parker. "Wayne Miller, who used to be in charge of Special Collections, advised me to enter. I was caught completely off-guard by winning."

Dr. James Lindgren, professor of history, said that the department is very proud of Parker.

"Since her first days at Plattsburgh State, she's not only committed to the study of history, but determined to apply her learning to the many historical sites and museums in the area," said Lindgren.

Parker has applied to the Cooperstown Graduate Program to further prepare herself for a career in museum studies.

"Eventually, I would like to be a curator," said Parker, who has interned at several places including the Alice T. Miner Museum, the Kent-DeLord House and is currently at the Chazy Town Historian's Office.

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Brandy Brown, an English literature major and French minor senior from Plattsburgh, has her sights on teaching secondary education in the Plattsburgh area.

"I love the area and don't want to move too far away," said Brown, a presidential scholar. "I always knew I wanted to come to Plattsburgh State. I didn't even apply anywhere else, because I wanted to go here."



Brown

Brown is a member of several honor societies including Phi Eta Sigma, Sigma Tau Delta, Phi Kappa Phi and Omicron Delta Kappa.

As a presidential scholar, Brown worked on an advanced honors project, producing a paper titled,

"Baudelaire: An Albatross and his Legacy." The unique thing about this paper is that she wrote one version in English and another in French.

Another project that she is proud of is her work on Dr. Richard Frost's book on the history of Plattsburgh's first century as a city, which was commissioned as part of a centennial commemoration for 2002.

"I researched a chapter on churches in Plattsburgh for the book," said Brown. "Dr. Frost was a visiting professor and I took his class on the history of Plattsburgh. At the end of the semester, he emailed the class to ask for help on his book, and I volunteered."

Brown said that she has a large family in the North Country and is looking forward to teaching in the area. Her sister is also a Plattsburgh State student in her sophomore year.

The Art Department at Plattsburgh State in conjunction with the Plattsburgh State Art Museum will be presenting "Sights by Six," an Honors exhibition on Friday, Dec. 5 from 4 to 6 p.m. in the Main Lobby of the Myers Fine Arts Building. The exhibition is free and open to the public.

The works are by six December 2003 graduating students who will be receiving their bachelor of fine arts degrees. The artists are: **Amanda Mavis Agnew** of Lake Placid; **Lorraine DeLaney** of Plattsburgh; **Natalie Gaines** of Liverpool; **Jessica Griffin** of Plattsburgh; **Monique Ford** of Bedford Corners; and **Kahoru Otani** of Shizuoka, Japan.

The exhibition is an entirely student-run show consisting of photographs, paintings and prints and gives a chance for these young developing artists to leave their last mark on Plattsburgh State.

"It's a nice note to leave on," said Agnew, a dual English and studio art major. "Our final touch to our education at Plattsburgh State."

Agnew plans to work as an artist to further develop her body of work and then plans to apply to graduate schools in a year or so.

"I've been able to integrate my two majors so that the things I've learned in English I've been able to apply to my art," Agnew said.

Otani will be going home to Japan following graduation.

"I have mixed feelings. I'm ready to go home, but I will miss Plattsburgh," said Otani, who will look for jobs in printmaking when she gets home.

Griffin said that planning for this exhibit has been very rewarding.

"I've learned a lot about organizing a show. The placement of the work is one of the main lessons that has been very important in my development. I think

we've done very well in putting together a cohesive show and presenting our body of work as a group," said Griffin.

Ford said that she's excited to graduate and will be looking and applying at graduate schools for next fall.

"It's important to keep my momentum going. I've been here for four-and-a-half years, so it's time to move on," said Ford.

DeLaney plans to stay in Plattsburgh for the summer then move out West to San Francisco where she'll look for a job and explore graduate programs.

"I fell in love with San Francisco after visiting a friend there a couple of years ago," said DeLaney. "I'll miss Plattsburgh. We have a tight community of art students. Graduating will be a relief and my family will be proud."

Gaines is also looking out West at graduate programs. She said that she is excited about the exhibit.

"All of the paintings I've done boil down to these five in the show. I see in these everything I've learned beforehand. It's very exhilarating," said DeLaney.



Left to right: Natalie Gaines, Jessica Griffin, Kahoru Otani, Amanda Mavis Agnew, Monique Ford and Lorraine DeLaney.

FOCUS Calendar Friday, Dec. 8 - Friday, Dec. 19

For information on weekly meetings and other upcoming events, check the Plattsburgh State Web Calendar at: <http://banweb.cc.plattsburgh.edu/banprd/plsql/events.calendar>

Happy Holidays

FRIDAY, DEC. 5

7 p.m. Northcountry Planetarium Fall Show, presents "Director's Choice -- Show topic to be announced." Tickets: \$2 per person, on sale at the Angell Center Information Desk. For more information, call 564-3168. Hudson Hall Planetarium.

7 p.m. El Pueblo Fashion Show. Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms.

8:30 p.m. Northcountry Planetarium Fall Show, presents "Director's Choice -- Show topic to be announced." Tickets: \$2 per person, on sale at the Angell Center Information Desk.

SATURDAY, DEC. 6

9 a.m. Defensive Driving Course, sponsored by the Student Association. Sign-up at the SA Office, 2nd Floor Angell College Center, 564-3200. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

4 p.m. Omicron Delta Kappa Induction Ceremony. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

6 p.m. Galilean Society Movie Series. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

8 p.m. Choral Union and CVOS Concert, sponsored by the Music Department. Tickets: \$1 SA, other ticket prices TBA, on sale at the door or from CVOS members. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

10 p.m. PSU Late Night Comedian, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms.

SUNDAY, DEC. 7

6 p.m. Study Breaker, sponsored by O.W.E. Angell College Center Amnesty Room.

8 p.m. SA Sunday Night Film Series, sponsored by Student Association. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

MONDAY, DEC. 8

9 a.m. Alzheimers Disease & Related Disorders Conference, sponsored by the Alzheimers Association. Conference Fee: \$10 SA Members, \$30 faculty/staff and public. Contact the Alzheimers Center at 564-3370 to register. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

11 a.m. Selling Silver-Plated Bottles, sponsored by Chemical Society. Angell College Center Lobby 1.

2 p.m. Internship Mini Conference, sponsored by Counselor Education. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

8 p.m. Service Corps Seminar, sponsored by Plattsburgh Student Service Corps. Angell College Center Meeting Rm. 8.

TUESDAY, DEC. 9

12:15 p.m. Students For Direct Democracy Speaker Series. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

1:30 p.m. Parking Appeals, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Meeting Room 4 and 5.

4:30 p.m. Faculty Senate Monthly Meeting, sponsored by Faculty Senate. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 10

11:30 a.m. Holiday Dinner, sponsored by Sodexo Campus Services. Admission is \$7.50 per person, payable at the door. Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms.

10:15 p.m. S.A. Senate Meetings. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

THURSDAY, DEC. 11

8:30 a.m. TIA-CREFF One on One, sponsored by Human Resources. Angell College Center Meeting Room 1.

FRIDAY, DEC. 12

5:30 p.m. Residence Hall Staff Dinner, sponsored by Dean of Students. Angell College Center Warren Ballroom B.

SATURDAY, DEC. 13

8 a.m. School of Business Graduation Breakfast, sponsored by School of Business & Economics. Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms.

11 a.m. Winter Commencement. Field House.

MONDAY, DEC. 15

12 p.m. CSEA Social Committee Luncheon, sponsored by CSEA. Angell College Center Meeting Room 1.

7 p.m. North Country Folks for Howard Dean, sponsored by Community Event. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

TUESDAY, DEC. 16

12 p.m. UUP Meeting. Angell Center Cardinal Lounge.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 17

9 a.m. TBI Association, sponsored by College Auxiliary Services. Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms.

10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Office for Institutional Advancement Holiday Open House. All are welcome to stop by. Alumni Conference Room, Hawkins Hall.

2 p.m. Student Affairs Christmas Party, sponsored by Student Affairs & Enrollment Management. Angell College Center Flynt Commons.

FRIDAY, DEC. 19

3 p.m. CSEA Holiday Party, sponsored by CSEA. Angell College Center Flynt Commons.

College Council to Meet Dec. 11

The College Council will hold its next regularly scheduled meeting on Dec. 11 at 9:30 a.m. in the Alumni Conference Room, Hawkins Hall. The council is expected to decide the three finalists for the position of president of Plattsburgh State that the council will recommend to SUNY Chancellor Robert King. A number of other items are also on the council's agenda including: a presentation about the Institute for Ethics in Public Life by Dr. E. Thomas Moran, founding director; council action on a number of resolutions; and a discussion about the College's financial plan. The meeting is open to the general public.

FOCUS Spring 2004 Schedule

Jan. 23

Feb. 6

Feb. 20

March 5

March 26

April 9

April 23

May 7

To make a submission for Focus, send information to Keith Tyo or Frances Dumenci, Office of Institutional Advancement, 113 Hawkins Hall, news@plattsburgh.edu or call 564-2090. Submissions should be made at least three weeks before the print date. The final deadline for submissions is one week prior to the print date.

Winter Session Offers Wide Variety of Courses

Winter Session at Plattsburgh State provides special and exciting learning opportunities for students of all ages.

With more than 40 courses offered during Winter Session 2004, students can take General Education courses, improve skills in winter sports, learn unique skills and make progress toward a degree.

Winter Courses are scheduled in a variety of ways, allowing students to take one or more courses.

There are a wide variety of courses offered during Winter Session. The following is just a small sample of the offerings: World Literature Translation, Nutrition & Well-Being, Hospitality Law, Zen Therapy, Global Positioning/Digital Mapping, Introduction to Wines, Yoga: Philosophy and Practice, Hatha Yoga, Jazz History, Ski and Culture, Wilderness First Responder and Intro to Ice Climbing.

Winter Session begins on Jan. 2 and runs through Jan. 25. The last day to add a Winter Session course is Jan. 2. Banner registration for courses is open through Dec. 30.

For more course information, contact the appropriate academic departments.

For general Winter Session information, contact the Center for Lifelong Learning at 564-2050 or go to the website: <http://www.plattsburgh.edu/academics/winter/>

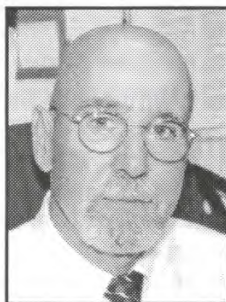


Spreading Some Warmth and Cheer This Holiday Season

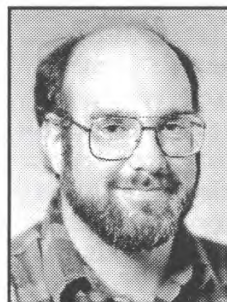
Stephen Matthews, assistant to the vice president for Student Affairs, and **Ilona Selzer-Kelting**, a graduate assistant studying for her master's in school psychology from Morrisville, help to prepare more than 60 coats, hats, boots and mittens for donation to the Joint Council for Economic Opportunity (JCEO). This season, the student affairs division collected the items as part of a service project. Project HELP moved all the clothing to JCEO on Tuesday, Dec. 2.

Spotlight

on faculty and staff



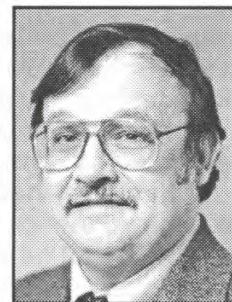
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Dr. Rodney Cavanaugh, associate professor of special education, and senior special education majors: Stephanie Harmon, Randi Johnson, Vanessa Russell and Lindsay Wagner presented, "Measurably Effective Instruction: What Children Need; What NCATE Wants," at the 2003 New York Council for Exceptional Children Convention on Nov. 21. The presentations featured examples of documentation of the relationship between what teachers do and what their students learn. The studies were conducted during the Special Education Practicum in spring 2003.

Dr. Sam Northshield, professor of mathematics, gave a talk titled, "Square roots of two-by-two matrices," at the Mathematical Association of America Seaway Section meeting held Nov. 8 at Rochester Institute of Technology. This talk presented aspects of matrix square roots starting with several elementary properties and culminating with an unsolved problem in chaos theory.

Dr. Ewa Pater, assistant professor of chemistry, co-authored the paper, "Determining the thermodynamic electrode potential in the presence of a mixed potential using EQCM technique," published in the journal, *Electro-Chemistry*

Communications." This publication was the result of her work with Dr. Stanley Bruckenstein from SUNY Buffalo. Pater is affiliated with the SUNY Buffalo Chemistry Department as an assistant research professor. The paper opens a new experimental way to study corrosion systems and electroless plating processes.

Dr. Thomas Rumney, professor of geography, recently co-authored a chapter titled, "Canadian Studies," in the book, *Geography in America on the Eve of the 21st Century*. Rumney wrote the chapter with Dr. Christopher Merrett of Western Illinois University.

Diversity Inclusion in Curriculum Effort Underway

Encouraging more faculty at Plattsburgh State to include diversity in the curriculum is something the institution wants to do.

J.W. Wiley, director of the Center for Diversity, Pluralism and Inclusion at Plattsburgh State, says it sounds simple. However, some faculty members are not sure what is the best strategy let alone know how to implement diversity in their coursework.

"A lot of faculty don't implement diversity in their courses because they've never been challenged to do it. They've never been shown some pretty simple steps that they could take to make it happen," said Wiley. "Perhaps they haven't even been challenged about the necessity of doing it, and that is probably the most significant thing."

A two-fold approach to begin encouraging curriculum inclusion of diversity is underway. Faculty members on the Diversity Task Force at the College and the advisory board for CDPI are recruiting and encouraging other faculty members to include diversity strategies in their curriculum.

More specifically, Wiley said, "We are developing a laundry list of strategies that faculty members are doing in the classroom and could be implemented by other faculty without a whole lot of training."

Several of the techniques include: inclusion of minority and/or under-represented scholarship in assigned texts; encouraging the use of non-traditional or under-represented literature within a research paper assignment; assigning small group research projects that examine the scholarship of diverse individuals; and guest lectures by colleagues that bring diverse perspectives to class discussions.

Wiley said that about 15 methods for curriculum inclusion currently used in the classroom have been identified, and he said that information will be shared by email and in a memo to the faculty.

The driving force behind curriculum inclusion of diversity is a recommendation in the accreditation report issued last year by the Middle States Commission on Higher Education. The report recommended that Academic Affairs should encourage/assist the faculty to integrate diverse views into the curricula.

Dr. Robert Golden, provost and vice president for academic affairs, said, "Middle States has recommended greater inclusion of information, skills and concepts related to diversity in the curriculum at Plattsburgh State."

"We know that including these elements throughout the curriculum is likely to have a greater impact on students than stand-alone courses on diversity by themselves. J.W. Wiley's efforts in this area are very important to the future of this institution."

Wiley also said that integrating diversity in the curricula is also the right thing to do for students with varying educational and social backgrounds and, in some instances, limited contact with other individuals from outside their area.

"As hard as it is to believe for us with all the experience we've had, the average 18- or 19-year-old student in an area like this, unless they come from a big city, has never sat shoulder-to-shoulder and had these conversations," said Wiley.

While workshops, forums and open conversations among the faculty are on the horizon for discussions about how best to implement the strategies, Wiley said it is the first tier on a multi-tier effort.

He also expects more faculty to implement diversity in the curriculum if they are given the tools to do it. "I don't think we should beat people across the head with curriculum inclusion by mandating and forcing it on people. I think we should appeal to their desire to be the best professor they can be."



Plattsburgh State officially dedicated the Wayne H. Byrne College Council Room during a special ceremony on Wednesday, Nov. 19. Wayne Byrne was appointed to the Plattsburgh State College Council in 1969 by then-Governor Nelson Rockefeller and served on the council under Governors Malcolm Wilson, Hugh Carey, Mario Cuomo and George Pataki. He served for nearly 20 years as chair of the council's Budget Committee and was the council's liaison to the Faculty Senate and the Art Gallery and Collections Committee. Byrne was remembered at the ceremony by several speakers including Robert Garrow, College Council chair, Robert Booth, former College Council member, and Margaret "Peg" Byrne, his wife. Left: Dr. John Clark, interim president, and Peg Byrne officially open the door to the Wayne Byrne College Council Room following the ribbon-cutting ceremony.